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CHOYNSKI SERIOUSLY ILL.

Suffering From Blood Poisoning and Palpitation of Heart.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 21.—The Call says: "Joe Choynski is suffering from blood poisoning, and, though his physician thinks there is no immediate danger, his illness is a serious one. The cause is not perfectly known, but it is said to be due to inoculation from a sore on the arm of George Green, with whom Choynski sparred while the former was training for his fight with Ryan. The trouble has appeared with attendant affections, and Joe's heart is now in pretty bad condition. During the past few days he has suffered from palpitations. His physician, Dr. Galway, also finds an enlargement of the cardiac organ. It is certain that Choynski will not be able to enter the ring for some time."

In an interview at Springfield, O., Kid McCoy stated that he would leave early in April for San Francisco. "My match with Gus Ruhlin will come off there," he said. "After that I will go after Choynski for a match. Yes, my wife is a New York woman. It's none of the public's business, though. She is well connected there, and she does not want it known that she has married a prize fighter. That is all there is in the secrecy about her maiden name."

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

Mr. Gladstone's condition was said to be appreciably worse.

E. S. Willard, the actor, has a slight attack of typhoid fever in Chicago.

It is reported that the big Merrimack cotton mills of Lowell, Mass., will remove to Georgia.

Sixty lives are reported lost by an earthquake which destroyed the town of Ambonya, in the Spice islands.

Russia has withdrawn her demand on Turkey for the payment of arrears of the Russo-Turkish war indemnity.

An outbreak is imminent on the island of Puerto Rico, and it is said that the warship Vizcaya will proceed there from Havana to support the Spanish government.

A meeting in furtherance of a millenary commemoration of King Alfred the Great was held in London. Letters from President McKinley, Queen Victoria and others were read.

A rebellion, fomented by mandarins, is expected in the province of Hunan, China. The British cabinet, it is reported, will demand of Russia guarantees as to the entry of warships into Port Arthur.

Press Censorship in Spain.

MADRID, March 21.—El Liberal protests against the authorities stopping telegrams to Spanish newspapers. It characterizes such action as "a useless procedure because the Spanish press is both prudent and patriotic."

The Huns Talk of War.

JOHANNESBURG, March 21.—The Standard and Diggers' News, in a seemingly inspired article, says: "War is almost inevitable unless England abandons her claim to suzerainty."

Long Lost Vessel in Port.

SEATTLE, Wash., March 21.—The bark Hayden Brown has arrived here. She left Philadelphia nearly one year ago and was for a long time considered lost.

CONGRESS FORECAST

Work Mapped Out For the Nation's Solons.

HOUSE WILL HAVE A BUSY WEEK.

The Naval Appropriation Bill Likely to Occasion Much Spirited Debate—Senate to Act on Quarantine and Sunday Civil Appropriation Bills.

WASHINGTON, March 21.—Whether the report of the naval board of inquiry on the Maine disaster goes to congress this week with a special message from the president calling for congressional action, our relations with Spain, the proximity of war and the emergency preparations now going on to place the country in a state of defense probably will be exhaustively debated in the house in connection with the naval appropriation bill, the consideration of which will begin tomorrow. The many emergency items in the bill, the large increase in the enlisted force, the liberal provision for battleships, torpedo boats and drydocks, will bring the whole subject of the necessity for these preparations directly before the house. While the conservative leaders doubtless will seek to prevent inflammatory expressions under the recent ruling of the speaker, which practically places no limit upon the latitude of debate in committee of the whole on the state of the Union, the leaders, except by their example, probably will be unable to repress sensational speeches.

An effort is likely upon the part of some of the radicals to force from those in the confidence of the administration a declaration of the policy of the administration regarding Cuba. This they hope to do by taunting them with some of the rumors which have been floating about in the newspapers during the past few days. It is altogether likely that there will be a general expression of the sentiment of the house on this question before the bill is passed. Should the president transmit the report of the board of inquiry with a request for congressional action during the week, everything else will give way to it. Any action which might be decided upon would be in complete control of the Republican leaders as to the limit to be put upon debate. If the report of the board does not go to congress this week, the naval bill will probably consume all the time after today. But if it should be passed before Saturday, which seems unlikely, the bill for the reorganization of the army and the authorization for recruiting it to a footing aggregating 104,000 men in time of war will be taken up.

No Programme in the Senate.

WASHINGTON, March 21.—No programme has been prepared for the senate for the present week, and the course of events is liable to be influenced largely by developments from the outside.

The quarantine bill is the unfinished business on the senate calendar, and if opportunity offers Senator Pettigrew will get up his public land bill. It is expected that the sundry civil appropriation bill will be reported Wednesday.

day or Thursday, and if it should be it may be taken up later in the week. The senate committee is making many changes in this bill, and it will consume several days of the time of the senate when considered.

It is also understood to be Senator Davis' intention to bring up the Hawaiian treaty in order to get a vote on the Bacon amendment. It is still Mr. Davis' intention to move to lay the amendment on the table as soon as Senator Bacon concludes his speech in its support.

All these plans are liable to be changed if the report of the court of inquiry into the Maine disaster should be received. The receipt of this document would inevitably have the effect of springing a Cuban debate which would sidetrack all other questions.

Funeral of Mrs. Thurston.

OMAHA, March 21.—The body of the late Mrs. John M. Thurston was followed to the grave by a great concourse of people yesterday afternoon. At the house private services were held, after which the casket was removed to All Saints' church. Rev. Dr. Thomas J. Mackay presided over the rendition of the Protestant Episcopal ritual for the burial of the dead. In his sermon the minister referred feelingly to the mission of Mrs. Thurston to Cuba which cost her her life. He paid a high tribute to her character as a woman and to the intense patriotism and human inspiration that led her to accompany her husband on the trip from which he returned to bury her.

Bad Blaze in Baltimore.

BALTIMORE, March 21.—Fire yesterday destroyed the lumber storehouse of August Hannemann, 625 Milton avenue, this city, and damaged a dozen small residences in the rear on Port street and East Monument street. The loss to Mr. Hannemann is about \$15,000, while the aggregate damage to the other property will reach \$10,000.

Mrs. Ballington Booth Speaks.

TRENTON, March 21.—Mrs. Ballington Booth spoke yesterday afternoon to about 400 state prisoners in the prison chapel. This is Mrs. Booth's fourth visit to the prison, where she has established a league among the prisoners. Commander Booth spoke at Young Men's Christian Association hall last evening.

Ocean Steamer Disabled.

HALIFAX, March 21.—Two big ocean steamers, one of them disabled and in tow of the other, are making for Halifax harbor from the east. The disabled steamer is the Osborne, from London. She is being towed by the tank steamer Duffield.

An Expedition to Search For Andree.

BERLIN, March 21.—Theodor Lerner, with an expedition aided from state and private sources will start on the steamer Heigoland next May in search of Herr Andree, the missing aeronaut, and to prosecute scientific investigations.

Pull and Break His Neck.

GLOVERSVILLE, N. Y., March 21.—George Wartsburg, aged 30 years, was found dead yesterday at the bottom of the stairway in the Hotel Elk building. His neck was broken. Upon his person was found \$1,000.

CHIEFS IN COUNCIL.

McKinley and His Advisers Have an Unusual Meeting.

FLINT ALSO SEES THE PRESIDENT.

The Former Has Large Interests in South America, and It Is Believed He Semi-officially Represents Chile in the Negotiations For the O'Higgins.

WASHINGTON, March 21.—President McKinley did not attend church yesterday as is his custom, but instead spent two hours and more in conference with several members of the cabinet. Assistant Secretary Day called about 10:30 o'clock and remained until nearly 1 o'clock. Secretary Long and Secretary Bliss were the other members present. They remained less than an hour. Commander Glover, in company with Mr. Flint, who has been acting for the government in the negotiations for the purchase of ships, also called and were shown into the president's private office. The members of the cabinet on leaving the White House said there was no special significance in the meeting. The report of the Maine court of inquiry had not been received, nor was it definitely known when it would reach here. It was expected, however, early in the present week, and as soon as received it would be handed at once to the president, and when it had been read and considered by the president it would be made public. Secretary Long, in speaking of the report, said that while fully realizing its importance the country in his opinion would willingly accord to the president a day or two if necessary for its consideration. The indications seem to be that the report will be made public by the middle of the present week.

The presence of Mr. Charles R. Flint at the conference naturally gives inference that the president and his advisers were discussing the question of acquiring additional ships. Mr. Flint, whose commercial interests are largely with South American countries, is believed in a measure at least to represent Chile and the Argentine Republic in any negotiations which are under way for the disposition of their war vessels. A reporter today asked Mr. Flint if he could say whether or not the United States had secured possession of the Chilean ship O'Higgins and the Argentine ship San Martino, but he declined to make any statement as to that particular feature of the subject. When pressed for some information in regard to the matter, he replied:

"Both Chile and the Argentine Republic have the warmest friendship and admiration for the United States and her institutions. Neither country is anxious to sell its ships to this government, basing this indisposition on the belief that we have an excellent navy of our own. They want these vessels themselves. If the time should come, however, when it was apparent that the United States needed these vessels they would gladly part with them to us."

The attention of Mr. Flint was called to the published report that the United States would purchase the Brazilian torpedo gunboat Tubi, but this he said would not be done, so far as he was aware, as there were no negotiations under way to that effect.

Aside from the meeting of several members of the cabinet at the White House there were no incidents of importance during the day. Judge Day, Assistant Secretary Ade, Chief Clerk Michael and other officials were at the department, but this has been quite common during the past month. Also at the war department and navy department a number of the chiefs of bureaus were at their desks for several hours, mainly for the purpose of disposing of the business which recently has accumulated so rapidly.

Affairs in Havana.

HAVANA, March 21.—Little work was done on the Maine wreck yesterday by the divers or contractors. The city has been quiet after the festivities of Saturday night, lasting until early next morning, at the Tacon theater, where a dramatic representation was given in aid of the fund for the Spanish navy. There was plenty of enthusiasm in the crowded theater. Every patriotic sentiment was cheered to the echo, but there were no sensational features. The proceeds are not all in yet, but it is believed that they will amount to between \$30,000 and \$40,000 in gold. Former estimates were too large. Even with the enormous prices paid for boxes and seats it was impossible that any such figures as \$80,000 or \$100,000 should be realized, as was hoped by some.

The Austrian cruiser Donau, which left for New York last evening is not expected to reach her destination for a week or more, as she is slow even with auxiliary sail power.

The Red Cross Society of America having decided to devote itself henceforth in Cuba to hospital, asylum and kindred work, Dr. Egan prefers not to serve on the general committee. The distribution relief committee now consists of Consul General Lee, Dr. R. Guzman, representing the Cuban committee, and Mr. J. L. Vanderwater, secretary of the Western railway of Cuba, representing the American contributors. General Lee will act as arbitrator in the event of a difference of opinion between the other two members.

Spain Would Be Easy, London Paper Says.

LONDON, March 21.—The Daily Mail this morning in an editorial refuting "some of the American accusations of British coldness" says:

"Among many reasons for Great Britain's comparative noninterest not the least is our better knowledge of the Spaniards and their paper navy and our conviction that the Anglo-Saxon will always defeat the Latin. Indeed, the trend of British thought is toward surprise that the greatest of the republics should excite itself unduly about a war."

"The Americans should remember that while we are full of trust in their capability to deal with Spanish imperfections, we are fully occupied with far greater troubles, threatened or active, in various parts of the world. They have our full sympathy at a time when France, Germany and Russia are backing Spain as fully and almost as openly as they are opposing British efforts for the freedom of foreign trade throughout the world."

"But there is no occasion now to talk of an offensive and defensive alliance. The disproportion between our mission and America's makes one impossible. There will be time to propose this way of recementing the race when America is ready to face the splendid responsibilities it entails."

Relief Fund For Cubans.

KANSAS CITY, March 21.—A relief fund of \$9,033 and 21 carloads of provisions and clothing, collected in Missouri, Kansas and Oklahoma for the starving Cubans of Matanzas were forwarded south from Kansas City yesterday. These relief measures are being carried out under the management of the Kansas City Star, and agents of The Star will aid in the distribution at Matanzas under the direction of United States Consul Brice. This relief is being carried free on a special train over the Memphis road to Memphis, thence over the Illinois Central to New Orleans. The United States government has guaranteed the transportation from New Orleans to Matanzas.

The principal articles of food sent are wheat, flour, cornmeal, rice, potatoes, rolled oats, condensed milk and soup extracts.

The contributions of clothing include a great number of calico dresses for women and children, mostly of the "Mother Hubbard" pattern, made by various church sewing circles.

New Jersey Troops Will Be Ready.

NEWARK, N. J., March 21.—The commanding officers of the regiments of the New Jersey national guard held a meeting at division headquarters of General J. W. Plume in this city yesterday. There were present Colonel Campbell, Newark; Colonel Hines, Paterson; Colonel Lee, Elizabeth; Colonel Smith, Jersey City; Colonel Cooper, Camden, and Colonel Bamford, Trenton. Aside from the regimental commanders, there were present Adjutant General T. S. Chambers of Trenton and General P. D. Wanser, commanding the First brigade.

The general condition of the troops was considered and all reported satisfactorily. It was the sense of the meeting that as New Jersey has no coast defenses between Sandy Hook and Cape May, except a four gun battery at Sea Girt, New Jersey would have to take care of her coasts with her own troops the minute hostilities were begun between the United States and Spain, should war be declared. While no official order was given, every man was quietly informed to be in readiness in case an emergency arose.

Britain's Mysterious Naval Movements.

HALIFAX, March 21.—The torpedo destroyer Rocket has just been ordered to this station from England and will arrive here shortly. The announcement of her coming has caused much comment in naval circles. The cruiser Indefatigable is also expected to arrive here very soon, coming from the West Indies at least two months ahead of the date at which the British North American squadron returns from its winter cruise. It is said the Indefatigable is coming in order to arrange the warship moorings in the harbor and put down new ones. But that is a work that could be performed without her presence here. The naval officials in Halifax seem to expect unusual activity on this station very soon. Some regard it as due to the modern ideas of Admiral St. John Fisher, while others think the crisis in the trouble between the United States and Spain may have something to do with the present movements.

Blandin's Applause Betrays His Thoughts.

SELMA, Ala., March 21.—Lieutenant Blandin of the Maine, who was officer of the deck the night the Maine was blown up, has arrived here on a visit to his old home and relatives. He was tendered a reception and banquet at the armory of the Dallas Light Dragoons, where many patriotic speeches were made. Lieutenant Blandin when asked for a speech declined, saying he was not allowed to speak yet, but the way in which he applauded when an allusion was made to the Maine having been blown up by an external force convinced all present that the ship was wrecked through the treachery of Spaniards. This is Lieutenant Blandin's old home, and many friends greeted him and offered congratulations on his escape. He left yesterday for Washington to report for duty. He expects to be assigned to the Amazonas when she arrives.

Shot and Killed for Venereal.

PENSACOLA, Fla., March 21.—Powder, shot and shell continue to arrive here in large quantities for the forts and batteries defending the harbor. Three of the eight big mortars for the new battery on Santa Rosa have also arrived, and they will be mounted as quickly as possible. There is great activity at Fort Pickens. In addition to the 6 and 8 inch rifles a 15-inch gun is being mounted.

Pushing Work on Guns.

BETHLEHEM, Pa., March 21.—The Bethlehem Iron company's ordnance works were working yesterday for the first Sunday in the company's history. Work on guns, carriages and arms for the government was under way. The plant is running day and night, and over 2,000 hands are busy.

Says the Explosion Was External.

LONDON, March 21.—The morning papers publish a long statement by Seaman Newman, recently arrived in England, who was on board the Maine at the time of the disaster in Havana harbor. Newman solemnly declares that the explosion was external, and on the spot side of the ship.

LEITER'S SHIPMENTS

Millions of Bushels of Wheat Moving to the Seaboard.

IN TRANSIT FOR EUROPEAN MARKETS

Arrangements Made by Which the Total Will Reach 10,000,000 Bushels by April 15—Nothing Like It Ever Known Before.

CHICAGO, March 21.—Seven million bushels of wheat bought by Joseph Leiter have been shipped and contracts made will run the total to 10,000,000 bushels. The closing of new contracts with the railroads for the movement of an additional 1,500,000 bushels of wheat to the seaboard is the latest incident showing the vastness of Mr. Leiter's operations in wheat. About 3,000,000 bushels have been loaded and dispatched within a month. Orders have been issued to the elevators for the loading of another 1,000,000 bushels, and now arrangements have been completed for the hurrying abroad of 1,500,000 bushels additional.

Mr. Leiter has ocean tonnage for 4,000,000 bushels of wheat ready as it arrives at the eastern ports. Since last September his shipments from Chicago have been not less than 7,000,000 bushels. His additional contracts will raise that to 8,500,000 bushels. He has 1,500,000 bushels in vessels here waiting the opening of navigation. That will raise the total of his shipments on his campaign up to April 15 to 10,000,000 bushels.

There is every reason to believe his shipments during the next two months will be on the same vast scale. There has never been anything like it. The Leiter wheat shipments have been the potent influence in the foreign exchange market. Some of the banks in New York which have been importing gold on a scale to attract the attention of the whole country have done so because they were handling Leiter's foreign bills and found it more profitable to bring the gold back than to sell the exchange. The trade is beginning to admit that it has been wrong in its skepticism as to export sales abroad.

The wheat has been on the market, and yet has been handled in a way to make the offerings seem all the time scarce. Leiter's statement some weeks ago that the 4,000,000 bushels of wheat started abroad at that time had been sold does not now seem so much of an exaggeration as so many thought at that time. While the nominal cash price at the Leiter office has been 10 cents over May, the millers' demand everywhere has been met. The consumer who wanted grain to grind found he could get the wheat cheaper from the big Chicago holder than he could from anybody else. Leiter has shown great agility in the market also.

He sold on Friday and Saturday at the advancing prices—as large a scale as he had bought during the depression Wednesday and Thursday. He made the biggest "scalping" turn of the deal. In the pit and out of it he sold at from \$1.05 to \$1.07 perhaps as much as 4,000,000 bushels of May wheat. He demonstrated that he could run things; that there was no opposition he feared; that he was no more afraid to sell than to buy, and as ready to do one as the other. The pit had half believed early in the week that Leiter was afraid to have May wheat break. The smash given the price by his brokers just at the wind up on Saturday put an end to that talk.

Blair County For Quay.

HOLLIDAYSBURG, Pa., March 21.—At the Republican primaries in Blair county Matthew S. Quay was unanimously endorsed for United States senator, William C. Arnold of Clearfield county for congressman at large and John P. Elkin of Indiana county for state chairman. The following named five delegates, pledged to support John Wanamaker for governor in the state convention, were elected: Joshua Burley, William H. Gottschalk, George B. Reed, John Shuff and William Van Allen.

Strike Outlook Still Uncertain.

NEW BEDFORD, Mass., March 21.—The decision of the manufacturers given Saturday leaves the great cotton strike where it was before, and at the beginning of the tenth week the end can be predicted with no more certainty than at the beginning of the first week. The sentiment of the more prominent unionists is in favor of continuing the fight. William Cunnane, the secretary of the strike fund, reports the total collection for the week as \$1,847.67, as compared with \$2,346.67 for the preceding week.

Prominent Physician Dead.

HARTFORD, March 21.—Dr. John Dwyer died last evening of rheumatic fever. He was a native of Ireland and had practiced medicine in this city since the close of the war. He was never married, and it is thought he had no near relatives in this country. He and a brother, Daniel Dwyer, lived in this city together for many years, until the latter, a well known dentist, died a few years ago. Dr. Dwyer was highly esteemed as a man and a physician.

Mounted Men Rob a Bank.

HITCHINSON, Kan., March 21.—The Bank of Nickerson at Nickerson, Kan., near here, was robbed Saturday. Five men required four or five hours to blow open the safe. Citizens who were passing were held up and forced to go inside, where they were kept until the safe was blown open and the money secured. About \$5,000 was obtained. The robbers mounted horses and fled.

Admiral McNair's Brother Dead.

CLEVELAND, March 21.—Stephen Y. McNair, secretary and auditor of the Cleveland, Akron and Columbus railroad, died here, aged 61 years. Deceased was a brother of Admiral McNair of the United States navy.

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The Prospector For the Yellow Metal May Likewise Take in Gold Pans Without Paying Duty—Rush From Dawson to Wealth Producing Creeks.

WASHINGTON, March 21.—The department of state is informed by the United States consul general at Ottawa that the same duties are imposed on goods destined for the Klondike region as are imposed on goods imported into any other part of Canada. The instructions to the Canadian customs officers touching this matter are as follows: "Wearing apparel, articles of personal adornment, toilet articles and similar personal effects of persons arriving in Canada may be passed free, without entry at customs, as travelers' baggage, under the provisions of customs tariff, but this provision shall only include such articles as actually accompany and are in the use of and are necessary and appropriate for the wear and use of such persons for the immediate purpose of the journey and present comforts and convenience and shall not be held to apply to merchandise or articles intended for other persons or for sale."

In the absence of rulings by the board of customs as to articles included in the foregoing regulation, customs officers at the port of entry are to decide the class and quantity of the wearing apparel and like articles in use entitled to be passed free under the above provision, having due regard to the length of the journey and to the reasonable requirements of the traveler for his comfort and convenience on the journey.

Articles of personal adornment, however, may be held to include one watch and the jewelry ordinarily in use by the traveler.

For a traveler to the Klondike region, a pair of blankets and a fur robe and changes of apparel for use on the journey may be passed free.

Miners' gold pans are free under tariff item No. 555 as separators.

Stamping From Dawson.

SEATTLE, Wash., March 21.—W. G. Wallace of Saginaw, Mich., arrived here yesterday from Dawson City, which place he left Feb. 15.

Concerning matters at Dawson, Mr. Wallace says that stampedes to the several creeks are of frequent occurrence. The prospecting work done this winter is all turning out well. "There is no reason," said he, "why the country west of the Yukon should not prove to be as rich as that on the east side. The west is practically an unexplored district. Discoveries have been made on Swedish creek that promise well."

"There have been several quartz ledges located, and the indications are that the upper Yukon will be the field of operations in quartz work."

"There need be no anxiety about the food situation. The companies that are operating boats will furnish ample supplies; besides nearly every one who goes over the passes calculates on carrying a year's supplies with him."

Mr. Wallace is credited with having brought out \$45,000 in drafts with him.

More New Postmasters.

WASHINGTON, March 21.—Fourth class postmasters have been appointed as follows: New York—Lodi, John W. Keady; New Hackensack, Henry Vandewater; Ovid Center, Milton B. Wixson; Pocantico Hills, William Foley; Romulus, William A. Beaver; Shekomeko, Edward Bryan; Straits Corners, Aretus A. Strait; Pennsylvania—Coler Peter B. Jordan; Fairbrook, Harvey C. Shuey; Kerrville, John Austin Brandt; Livermore, Peter P. Lefever; Millhail, Torrence Hunter; Oakhall Station, George Kline; Round Hill, Harry L. Miller.

Cattle Have Tuberculosis.

JAMESTOWN, N. Y., March 21.—Reports of a serious outbreak of tuberculosis in cattle come from Youngsville, just over the Chautauqua county border in Warren county, Pa. The county almshouse and farm are in Youngsville. Fifty-two head of Durham cattle are kept on the farm. The keeper recently became suspicious and applied to the state veterinary surgeon for an examination. This was made yesterday, and 32 of the animals were found to be affected with tuberculosis.

Decision In Trenton Pottery Case.

TRENTON, March 21.—Vice Chancellor Gray has rendered a decision denying the application of the Trenton Pottery company for an injunction restraining R. C. Oliphant and others from engaging in the manufacture of sanitary pottery ware. The decision was based on the ground that the injunction sought would, if granted, be in restraint of trade. The case has been in the courts for three years.

Died From His Wounds.

NEW HAVEN, March 21.—Frank Enquist of East Haven, who was shot by his brother-in-law, John Erickson, during a quarrel on the evening of March 1, died at the hospital last evening. A charge of shot had entered Enquist's left thigh and groin, which developed blood poisoning. He made an antemortem statement to Coroner Mix. Erickson has thus far escaped arrest.

Scott Jury Couldn't Agree.

GENESEE, N. Y., March 21.—The jury in the case of J. L. Scott, ex-superintendent of poor, who was on trial here for misappropriating county funds, was discharged at 3:30 o'clock last night. It had been out 23 hours. Seven men held out for conviction and five for acquittal.

Maine Report Not Yet Ready.

KEY WEST, March 21.—The court of inquiry according to Rear Admiral Sigsbee will continue its work through the coming week as it is not yet ready to make a report on the Maine disaster. The statement that Captain Barker carried the report to Washington is officially denied. The object of his flying visit to Key West was not ascertaining outside official circles until last night it can be authoritatively asserted that Captain Barker had nothing to do with the court of inquiry.

A BOGUS RELIC.

Amusing Instance of Way in Which Museums Are Imposed Upon.

A very amusing instance of the way in which museums are imposed upon has just come to light, says the St. James Gazette. At the French revolution, when the Cathedral of St. Denis was so mutilated, the figures which ornamented the beautiful Gothic tomb of Dagobert were thrown down, and for the most part destroyed, all that remained being the body of his Queen Nantilde and the head of his son Clovis. When the restorers stepped in subsequently they made the best they could of the bits, putting the son's head on the mother's body and calling it the Reine Nantilde. Not long ago more intelligent restorers put an end to this absurdity, and there are now to be seen at St. Denis two statues on which the original proportions of such are preserved. But meanwhile casts of the hybrid were taken, and they still exist in the collection of the Louvre in Paris and in the National Bavarian museum at Munich as examples to students of all that is best in Gothic art.

But this is not all. In the great museum at Berlin, in the sculpture department, there is a small statuette of stone, with various cracks and flaws which give it an antique appearance, which is nothing less than a smaller and very imprudently made counterfeit of the hybrid. The forger felt the difficulty which might be raised to placing a man's head above a woman's bust, and so has modified both to a small extent; but there is not a shadow of doubt that he has succeeded in palming off a most unexpected imposition where he could little expect to.

Illicit Still Raided In New York.

NEW YORK, March 21.—One of the most complete and carefully hidden illicit distilling plants ever discovered in this vicinity was raided by United States revenue officers at an early hour yesterday morning. It was located in cellars under Harmonia hotel, at 138 Ludlow street, near Rivington. A ball given by Professor Charles Adler's dancing academy in the hall on the second floor of the building had just come to an end when the revenue officers arrived on the scene. They placed under arrest Mandel Yamm, the proprietor; his son, Harry Yamm; a nephew, Iza Yamm, and John Fifer, who is supposed to be the manager of the place. Two stills in full operation, a large amount of whiskey and a quantity of spirits were found.

The Harvard-Princeton Debate.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., March 21.—The following subject has been chosen for Harvard for the Harvard-Princeton debate, which is to take place at Cambridge on May 6, "Resolved, That the present restrictions on immigration into the United States are insufficient." Princeton is to have choice of sides on this question. The Harvard committee on intercollegiate debates has instituted a new system of selecting the speakers for this and subsequent debates which will make the final selection a representative as possible. The number of candidates will be reduced to six after two trial debates. These will be divided into two teams of three each, who will take part in a third trial debate. On the basis of this last trial the three speakers and alternates will be chosen.

Nine Desperadoes Killed.

EL PASO, Tex., March 21.—News has reached here from Casas Grandes, Mexico, of the terrible fate which has befallen nine members of Black Jack's band, who escaped from this country several months ago, soon after the leader was reported slain, and sought refuge from pursuit by American officers in the Sierra Madre mountains of old Mexico. Black Jack's band of desperadoes for several years terrorized the entire border between here and the Gulf of California, and it remained for the vigilance committee of the Mormon colonies in the vicinity of Casas Grandes, Mexico, to hunt down and annihilate them. The desperadoes were caught in ambush by a party of Mexican Mormons and shot to death.

New Yorker Arrested In California.

LOS ANGELES, March 21.—Dr. W. E. De Forrest, formerly of New York city, now a resident of this city, has been arrested on telegraphic instructions from the police department of New York. He is accused of grand larceny, the specific charge being the larceny from Alexander McElfee of New York of \$2,500. He is in the city jail, awaiting the arrival of an officer from the east. Dr. De Forrest came here some months ago and moved in good society. He was a widower and not long ago married Miss Katherine Kimball, a well known vocalist.

Twelve Are Still Missing.

CHICAGO, March 21.—Workmen engaged in the burned Emerson building discovered another body yesterday. This makes the eighth corpse recovered. The remains were identified as those of William Bon, 16 years old. The list of missing now numbers 12.

Epidemic of Scarlet Fever.

ROCHESTER, March 21.—An epidemic of scarlet fever and diphtheria is raging in Genesee, a small village 30 miles south of here. A number of fresh and serious cases of the latter disease were reported to the village health authorities last night.

Fifteen Years For Ten Cents.

OMAHA, March 21.—Judge Slabaugh has sentenced Charles Hendricks to 15 years' imprisonment at hard labor for highway robbery. The prisoner held up three men, shot two and got 10 cents. He was captured by his third victim.

Dr. Perrine Finds a Comet.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., March 21.—A telegram has been received at the Harvard college observatory from Professor Chamberlin, at the Lick observatory, stating that Dr. Perrine has just discovered a bright comet.

More Powder For One Gun.

NEW YORK, March 21.—The Norwegian steamer Nor-Pyn, which has just arrived from Hamburg, brought 25 tons of smokeless gunpowder for the United States government. The Nordkyn anchor is in Gravesend bay to discharge the powder into lighters.



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IN PURSUANCE of an order of the Surrogate of the county of Orange, notice is hereby given, according to law, to all persons having claims against the estate of Annie E. Doyle, late of the city of Middletown, in said county, deceased, that they are required to present the same, with the proper vouchers therefor, to the subscriber, the administrator of said and singular the goods, chattels and credits of said deceased, at the office of Thomas Donovan, No. 10 Railroad Avenue, in the city of Middletown, on or before the 14th day of July next.

Dated January 10th, 1898.
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Our Removal Sale has attracted unprecedented business. The enormous values sent out are daily bringing in new trade, which finds every expectation realized. We will make it worth while for any one to visit our store during the balance of our Removal Sale, even if you live 50 miles from here. You should forget distance, because such values as these were never offered before.

REMOVAL SALE OF

Three big lots. Lot 1—EMBROIDERIES. Here is a bargain that you will long remember with pleasure. Hamburg Embroidery in many patterns wide margin, deep needlework, 4 to 8 inches wide, regular price 8 to 10 a yard. Removal sale price 5c per yard.

LOT 2—WIDER Worth 12 to 15 a yard—EMBROIDERIES. Sales price 5c.

LOT 3—Still wider and finer goods, worth 15 to 18 a yard. Removal price 10c a yard.

UMBRELLAS AT 100 good Umbrellas, size REGULAR PRICES. 28 inches, solid steel frame, covered with strong, fast mail, in plain, fancy and crook handle, 6c a regular price for these. Removal price 2c each.

ENGLISH GLOVE SILK With Parasol frames, strong steel rods, 28 inch, finished with choice Congo handles, value \$1.25. Removal price 50c each.

LADIES' DRESS Two big bargains for this week.

LADIES' BLACK SILK LUSTRE Brilliantine Skirts, lined and interlined, full 4 yards wide, closed seams, worth \$1. Removal sale price \$2.50.

LADIES' SEPARATE DRESS SKIRTS In black figured Brilliantine, regular price \$2.50. Removal sale price \$1.25.

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LINING SALE. Fancy Silks, Waist Lining, fast black, 15c elsewhere. Tompkins' removal price 10c a yard.

GENTINE HAIR CLOTH, 45c elsewhere. Removal price 25c a yard.

BEST CAMBRIC SKIRT LINING 3c.

10c YARD WIDE RUSTLE LINING 7c.

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GOOD 8c DRESS GINGHAMS 5c.

BEST 12 1/2 a DRESS GINGHAMS 5 1/2 a yard.

GOOD WIDE CAMBRIC PERCALES 5c.

ELEGANT QUALITY DARK COLORED SAT-FIN and best Dark Ground Percales, worth 12 1/2 to 15 a yard. Removal price 10c a yard.

DRESS GOODS AT An assembly of brilliant values, April's lowest and most exclusive. Dress fabrics worthy of the place of honor in this great removal sale. These goods were bought for March 1st delivery, before we made the deal with Mr. Adams, and should have brought regular prices. They have just been received, all new and fresh, but with removal sale prices on them.

NEW PLAIN and PLaid DRESS GOODS, 15c value, 10c a yard.

ALL WOOL and FANCY MIXTURES. A handsome assortment of new colors. Should have been marked 35c. Removal price 25c a yard.

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NEW SILK MIXED and BAIRE STRIPES In a complete assortment of stylish and exclusive spring shades. Black Armour (Globe)—Nothing could be handomer for a black gown for spring wear. Worth regular 60 and 65c. Removal price 35c a yard.

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A WEDDING BOOK.

An interesting volume discovered by Counselor Henry Kohl, from the Newburgh Register.

In endeavoring to secure evidence in a suit brought by one of his clients to have a marriage annulled, Counselor Henry Kohl has discovered an interesting volume, containing as it does, the record of all marriages performed by the Rev. Hosea Ball, of Monroe, for a period covering a half century, opening on Nov. 10, 1821, closing in 1872.

It is a small blank book; each marriage is numbered, the names of the bride and groom are given, also of the persons present at the ceremony, except in cases where there were a number such, when the present day system of including them under the title of "many others" was used. In addition the dominie has stated how to reach the home of the bride or other place where the ceremony was performed, also the fee received for the marriage.

In the fifty years he joined 179 couples, for which he was rewarded by receiving the sum of \$441, or about \$2.50 each. Many were \$1 each, a few were marked \$0.00, a few \$5 each and where he joined his daughter in wedlock his son-in-law paid over \$10, a sum so greatly in excess of others that it was marked with a black line to attract his notice, as was another of like amount. In some cases no mention is made of the fee, from which it is to be inferred that vegetables, fruit or cord wood were given in exchange it being no unusual thing early in the century to do this.

One entry on the book reads: March 27, 1828, at house of Mr. —, Mr. —, Clark to a Miss —, fee \$2." He had evidently failed to secure the full record. Another reads: "Walked to Fort Montgomery," where he joined a couple in marriage on January 29, 1830. For this he received \$5. As the distance between the points of residence and Fort Montgomery is 18 miles, and as it is presumed he walked back again the dominie did not receive a munificent sum for his pedestrian and ministerial labors. The book was apparently kept with great care, and since the death of Rev. Mr. Ball has been preserved by his daughter. It was in evidence in a case before Judge Hirschberg Saturday morning.

His property, which was sold by the Sheriff, was purchased by Charles St. John, President of the Port Jervis Bank, who secured the Shohola Glen property, which was valued at \$60,000, for \$6,000, subject to \$16,000 in liens, and the Parker's Glen land, which was valued at between \$200,000 and \$300,000, for \$1,500, subject to \$30,000 in liens. The business was placed in the hands of the bank's cashier, William E. Scott, who held possession of it until 1895, during which time over \$500,000 business was transacted.

Four months after his disappearance Kilgour returned, having taken a trip to Liverpool during a fit of temporary insanity, due to the effects of neuralgia. On his return he at once entered into negotiations with the bank for the return of his property, and in December, 1891, an agreement was made by which he was to receive his property on payment of \$12,000 to the bank within sixty days, and the balance of \$61,000, claimed to be due, in installments. He then made a demand for his books, securing only the day book.

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LONG ISLAND GENEALOGY.

A Publication that will interest many Orange County Families of Long Island Descent.

Orange county received a large accession of settlers from Long Island in Colonial times, and many of their descendants are still with us, as evidenced by the frequent occurrence of such names as Brewster, Howell, Horton, Moore, Sands, Townsend, Vail, Woodhull, Young and many others, all of Long Island ancestry.

Never before in the annals of our country has there been so widespread an interest in the study of family history and so earnest a desire to restore the old landmarks, and therefore the following letter from Rufus King, of Yonkers, which was published in the New York Times of recent date will probably interest those of our readers who are pursuing genealogical studies:

Permit me to call the attention of your readers to a venture in the field of family history now fairly inaugurated: The *Long Island Traveler*, published weekly at Southold, Suffolk county, N. Y., has for some time past, under the head of "Long Island Genealogy," devoted a column to notes and queries relating exclusively to the early settlers of Long Island and their immediate posterity. This undertaking has received cordial welcome from genealogical students and those interested in historical research, and much valuable material has already been gathered. Extracts from family records, copies of military commissions, descriptions of coat-armor engraved on old silver or found on early wills, deeds, etc., have been duly recorded and many have been found willing to lend a hand in the alluring search.

The study of Long Island family history, particularly in the eastern counties, is made especially interesting by the fact that many of those who settled there as early as 1650 are still represented by the descendants of the name, who have received, from one generation to another, the family traditions and memories of the past. It needs not a very diligent search to discover, among the present land owners, such familiar names as Gardiner, Lawrence, Woodhull, Underhill, Howell, Wells, Young and others equally well known, a cheering recital to the antiquarian in search of missing links in the family pedigree.

THE ERIE'S COAL TRADE.

Plans For Greatly Increasing Its Coal Traffic.

That the Erie Railroad proposes to branch out in the coal business was made evident, one day last week, when a representative of the company applied to the Jersey City Board of Aldermen for a permit to erect coal trestles and coal pockets along the piers alongside the Pavonia ferry. The Erie certainly intends to become a great factor in the coal carrying trade. That is what J. Pierpont Morgan had in mind last fall when he captured the Susquehanna Railroad and made it a part of the Erie system. The Susquehanna is the outlet for rich coal mines at Wilkesbarre and Scranton. By the terms of the consolidation the output of these mines will pass into the Erie Railroad yards in Jersey City, after the plans for practical amalgamation shall have been completed.

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KILGOUR VS. PORT JERVIS BANK

Decision in John F. Kilgour's Favor in His Suit to Recover Land Bought and Held by the Bank.

A decision in favor of John F. Kilgour, the plaintiff in the famous Port Jervis Bank case, which has been pending in the courts for nearly four years, was handed down by Judge Wheeler in the United States Circuit Court, Saturday, the question as to the amount due him being referred to a master.

Kilgour, who is better known as the "Bluestone King," disappeared in March, 1891, and all trace of him was lost for a time, despite the efforts of detectives to find him. At the time of his disappearance he was the largest producer of bluestone in the Delaware River Valley. He owned over 10,000 acres of bluestone land in Pike county, Pa., and in addition Shohola Glen, the summer resort; Parker's Glen, another resort, and a large amount of real estate in Port Jervis. He was reputed to be immensely wealthy.

Shortly after his disappearance it was charged that he was insolvent and a fugitive, the Port Jervis National Bank seizing all his property under attachments, which purported to represent \$100,000 indebtedness, while the value of the property seized was estimated at \$300,000. He had also several contracts for bluestone on hand—one alone from the city of Brooklyn amounting to \$40,000.

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In other words Judge Wheeler sends to a Master in Chancery the accounts between the bank and Mr. Kilgour to ascertain and report upon them. The judgment rendered, Saturday, is not final and upon the master's report will depend the final decree.

Dr. Smith at First Presbyterian Church

Rev. T. Ralston Smith, D. D., of New York city, preached two interesting discourses to good sized audiences at the First Presbyterian Church, Sunday. He will occupy the pulpit again next Sunday.

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A POPULAR MISTAKE.

Regarding Remedies for Dyspepsia and Indigestion.

The national disease of Americans is indigestion or in its chronic form, dyspepsia, and for the very reason that it is so common many people neglect taking proper treatment for what they consider trifling stomach trouble, when as a matter of fact, indigestion lays the foundation for many incurable diseases. No person with a vigorous, healthy stomach will fall a victim to consumption. Many kidney diseases and heart troubles date their beginning from poor digestion; thin, nervous people are really so because their stomachs are out of gear; weary, languid, faded out women owe their condition to imperfect digestion.

When nearly every person you meet is afflicted with weak digestion it is not surprising that nearly every secret patent medicine on the market claims to be a cure for dyspepsia, as well as a score of other troubles, when in fact, as Dr. Werthier says, there is but one genuine dyspepsia cure which is perfectly safe and reliable, and moreover, this remedy is not a patent medicine, but it is a scientific combination of pure pepsin (free from animal matter), vegetable essences, fruit salts and bismuth. It is sold by druggists under name of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets. No extravagant claims are made for them, but for indigestion or any stomach trouble, Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are far ahead of any remedy yet discovered. They act on the food eaten, no dieting is necessary, simply eat all the wholesome food you want and these tablets will digest it. A cure results, because all the stomach needs is a rest, which Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets give by doing the work of digestion.

Druggists sell these tablets at 50c. per package. Little book on stomach diseases and testimonials sent free by addressing Stuart Co., chemists, Marshall, Mich.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven Catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address: F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

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The "Mystic Cure" for Rheumatism removes at once the rheumatic poison from the system and the disease immediately disappears. Whilst the "Mystic Life Renewer" builds up the shattered nervous system, improves the digestion and restores the general health. It is the greatest cure for all nervous diseases and weakness as well as the most powerful nerve builder known. Sold by J. E. Mills, 2 Empire Block, Druggist, Middletown.

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What pleasure is there in life with a headache, constipation and biliousness? Thousands experience them who could become perfectly healthy by using De-Witt's Little Early Risers the famous little pills. W. D. Olney.

Beauty Is Blood Deep.

Clear blood means a clean skin. No beauty without it. Casarets, Candy Cathartic clean your blood and keep it clean, by stirring up the lazy liver and driving all impurities from the body. Begin today to banish pimples, boils, blotches, blackheads, and that sickly bilious complexion by taking Casarets,—beauty for ten cents. All druggists, satisfaction guaranteed, 10c, 25c, 50c.

A Great Surprise

Is in store for all who use Kemp's Balsam for the Throat and Lungs. Would you believe that it is sold on its merits and any druggist is authorized by the proprietors of this wonderful remedy to give you a sample bottle free? It never fails to cure acute or chronic coughs. All druggists sell Kemp's Balsam. Price 25 and 50c.

Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup.

Cure your cough at once. Use this celebrated remedy in time and avoid danger. It is the best and most reliable. At all druggists. Price 50c.

Remember the name Doan's, and take no substitute.

"Take it back"

—go to some grocer who will give you Pearl-line. That's the only way to do when they send you an imitation. The popularity of Pearl-line gets the habit of calling anything that's washing-powder, "Pearl-line." Those who notice the difference in name, think perhaps "it's about the same thing." It isn't. Nothing else equals Pearl-line the original and standard washing compound.

Millions of Pearl-line

Going to Cuba? Then Look at Our Map!

In the south window. But no matter where you go, you must have protection against the RAINS we are going to have. To that end we recommend our Umbrella stock.

Men's Umbrellas	A Barga Lot of Half Hose.	Use Envelopes?
49 Cents.	25 doz., seamless, 6c a pair, 6 pairs 25c. 25 doz., seam'less, 7c a pair, 4 pairs 25c. 10 doz., seamless, black, tan and blue 5 1/2c a pair.	Most people do. Here's a chance to save money—250 envelopes 25c. North window.
And they are good Umbrellas too. Strong, durable and fast black. Same thing in ladies' style handle. Same price.	Children's Ribbed Hose.	You Will Be Moving Perhaps,
Steel Rod Umbrella	Exceptional bargains, black with fine rib, seamless, 5 to 9 1/2, at 10 CENTS.	and want a Hammer. In the basement are some good ones at 10 CENTS.
69 Cents.		
Fine Twilled Saten, of lasting color. Commonly sold at \$1. and will wear longer than ALL SILK.		

ECONOMY STORE. NO. 118 NORTH ST. BARGAINS IN SHOES!

I have placed on my counters some shoes at \$1 a pair to close out the lines. They are all fine goods, some of them are hand turned shoes that formerly sold for four dollars and fifty cents a pair. We haven't all the sizes—they are mostly 2 1/2, 3 and 3 1/2 in size. Any lady wearing these sizes in A or B width can get a good bargain at the one price shoe store of

J. G. HARDING, 25 West Main Street.

CARPETS! In beautiful colors, imposing designs, finest quality and lowest prices are to be seen at The Carpet Bag Factory. MATTHEWS & CO., MIDDLETOWN.

Any disinterested mechanical expert will tell you the builders of

COLUMBIA BICYCLES

Must employ only the most skilled workmen. Columbias are absolutely uniform in quality and finish. The following prices are guaranteed until the end of the season, Oct. 1st. One price to all alike.

Columbia Chainless,	\$125.
Columbia Chain,	\$75.
Hartfords,	\$50.
Vedettes,	\$40 and \$35.

Geo. A. Swalm & Son, No. 18 North street.

A few bargains in Second-hand Wheels.

"THE NEW" DOCKASH! NOTHING LIKE IT.

3RINK & CLARK, 28 North and 7 King Streets

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK.

YOUR BOND INVESTMENTS

bring say 4 per cent. I give you as good ones at 5 per cent.—an increase of 25 per cent. in this much of your income. Your best home mortgages bring 5 per cent, mine are as good and bring 6 per cent—an increase of 20 per cent. If you put your 4 per cent. money in my 6 per cent. loans which have stood up better than your home loans for seventeen years, we add 60 per cent. to this much of your income; that is, \$1,000 becomes worth \$1,500. Are you neglecting a duty to those dependent upon you?

A. J. DURLAND.

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OFFICIAL CITY PAPER.

WEATHER INDICATIONS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 21.—Threatening with rain or snow, to-night and Tuesday; easterly winds.

THE TEMPERATURE.

The following was the registry of the thermometer at Frank's drug store, to-day:
7 a. m., 38°; 12 m., 40°; 3 p. m., 42°.

C. C. Vermoule, consulting engineer of the New Jersey State Geological Survey, says that if the East Jersey Water Company is allowed to carry out its plan of drawing water from the Passaic River at Little Falls and a trunk sewer is not built from Paterson to the sea, the whole section from Paterson to Newark will in ten years become a plague spot and will be uninhabitable.

The Cuban situation was discussed in many local pulpits, yesterday, and several of the pastors asked their people to be ready to respond to an appeal that would be made for the relief of the starving reconcentrados. We are informed by the Mayor that he will issue an appeal to the citizens of Middletown for that purpose, through to-morrow's papers, and we have no doubt that the humanity of our people will be equal to the occasion.

Capt. Wiley of the tug Underwriter, which has just reached Newport News from Havana, says that he firmly believes the Maine was blown up by an internal explosion. His reasons for arriving at a conclusion so different from those of Ensign Powellson and other naval officers are that the ship's bottom was not entirely destroyed, as he thinks it would have been had a torpedo been exploded under the vessel, and that the upper deck was turned completely over, showing, he argues, that the force of the explosion must have been directly under the deck.

Some Republican papers are foolishly claiming for their party credit for the fact that the federal treasury is able to meet the drain of the \$50,000,000 voted for national defense. The treasury is full is due simply to the fact that President Cleveland had the courage to make the last bond issue large enough to meet the present and prospective needs of the treasury. Had he not done so the Dingley tariff's monthly deficit would have left the treasury as empty as that of Spain, and before we could have spent a dollar for national defense a bond issue would have been necessary.

AT THE ARMORY, TO-NIGHT.

Base Ball With the Asylum Team—A Game of 10 Inning.

The deciding game of the series between the Asylum and 24th indoor base ball teams will be played, to-night, at the Armory, beginning at 8:30. After the game the first and third section basket ball teams will play a match. The teams are:

FIRST SECTION POSITION. THIRD SECTION
Gaston.....Guard.....Tehune
Fowles.....Guard.....Casson
Weggenroth.....Centre.....Adomson
Paret.....Forward.....Doud
Lawrence.....Forward.....Dickerson
The base ball nine will be as follows:
ASYLUM POSITION. 24TH
Lawler.....Pitcher.....Gaston
Luzier.....Pitcher.....Weggenroth
Stuart.....First Base.....Robinson
General.....Second Base.....Casson
Butte.....Short Stop.....Thompson
Conner.....Third Base.....Tehune
Compton.....Left Field.....Casson
Shaler.....Centre Field.....Casson
Runk.....Right Field.....Schwartz
Osborne.....Substitute.....Gould

BUYS MORE REAL ESTATE.

The Anglo-Swiss Company has purchased two more pieces of Goshen property.

Gardner & McWilliams, real estate agents, sold, to-day, to the Anglo-Swiss Condensed Milk Company the house and lot of Mrs. Elizabeth A. Osmon, on Murray avenue, Goshen, adjoining their recent purchase, also the vacant lot of Harry T. Church, lying between his livery stable and the property purchased of Mrs. Osmon.

G. B. ADAMS' EMPLOYEES.

Their Plans for the Future—Three of Them Will Remain With Mr. Adams.

The employees of George B. Adams announce their future intentions as follows:

Manager Charles A. Westervelt and Charles A. Adams will go to Mr. Adams' Newburgh store, at 62 and 64 Water street.

Miss Austin will go to Mr. Adams' Olean store.

Miss Gordon goes to H. S. Johnson's millinery store.

Relief of the Maine Disaster.

H. S. Dusenberry & Son display a collection of relics of the disaster which has befallen the Maine. There is a six pound cartridge which was exploded and a part of another shell, gun sights, rivets, etc. They were presented to them by Coroner Decker, who recently returned from Cuba.

Be sure you are right, then go ahead. Be sure you get Hood's Sarsaparilla and not some cheap and worthless substitute.

COURT OF INQUIRY REPORT.

Washington Officials Do Not Expect It Before Thursday or Friday.

WASHINGTON, March 21.—It can be stated positively and authoritatively that the report of the Court of Inquiry had not been received up to noon, to-day.

From the same authoritative source it can be stated that present official information is that the report is not likely to be here before next Thursday or Friday. The cause of delay is not known here but it is assumed that the conclusions of the court are not in such exact form as to warrant their earlier presentation here.

ROBBED A PRISON SAFE OF \$2,500

Escaping Prisoners Commit the Most Impudent Theft on Record.

DEBHAM, Mass., March 21.—Two prisoners at the House of Correction, having saved their way out of their cells, this morning, overpowered the guard, seized his keys, open the safe and took about \$2,500 belonging to officials and prisoners. They escaped.

They were Patrick Gill, who had served a few months of a two years' sentence for larceny, and Charles Cook, of Walpole, who was awaiting trial on a charge of burglary.

BIG RAILROAD STATION ON FIRE

Pennsylvania Railroad's Jersey City Station Badly Damaged.

NEW YORK, March 21.—The fire in the Jersey City station of the Pennsylvania Railroad this morning, did damage to the amount of \$100,000.

All of the frame portions of the building with the shed covering the approaches to the ferry was destroyed. The train sheds and the long office building was uninjured.

MOBILIZING THE FRENCH FLEET

May Possibly Be on Account of Our Trouble With Spain.

LONDON, March 21.—The St. James Gazette, commenting upon the mobilization of the French fleet, suggests that it may be connected with the Spanish question and says: "If the trouble between Spain and the United States became acute it would precipitate issues of great moment for the French."

FRESHET IN UPPER HUDSON.

A Boom Broken and Thousands of Logs Swept Away.

SARATOGA, March 21.—High water has broken the booms of Glens Falls Paper Co. at Fort Edward. Thousands of logs were swept down the river. The stone pier in the middle of the river has been swept away.

NEW ORLEANS AND ALBANY.

WASHINGTON, March 21.—Secretary Long, to-day, issued an order that the name of the Amazonas be immediately changed to the New Orleans.

The Abrouall will be called the Albany.

SCORE ONE FOR DR. SCHENK.

LONDON, March 21.—The Countess of Warwick has given birth to a son. She was one of Dr. Schenk's patients.

AT THRALL HOSPITAL.

Two Successful Operations Performed There Sunday.

John McKie, of No. 17 Charles street received a shot from a Flobert rifle in the right eye seven years ago. Within a short time the eye has been rapidly losing sight. An examination, Saturday night, showed a black spot on the optic nerve where it expands to spread over the inner part of the eyeball. The eye was removed Sunday forenoon by Drs. Pillsbury and Connor, assisted by Drs. Hammer and Redfield.

Mrs. Herman Brower, of No. 17 Genung street, had an operation performed Sunday afternoon by Drs. Pillsbury and Connor for a strangulated femoral hernia. The operation was successful and the patient's recovery is expected. The wound was closed by suturing, leaving no visible stitches.

Both patients are during well to day.

New Telephones Being Placed in Position.

Wood & Horton have placed an Orange County telephone in C. H. Emde's tailoring establishment at North and King streets, which will be their up-town office.

The same company's telephones are also being placed in Cole & Wilson's grocery on Lake avenue, and in F. A. R. Frank's grocery on East Main street.

Local Cases in Judge Hirschberg's Special Term.

At Judge Hirschberg's special term in Newburgh, Saturday, an order of discontinuance was granted in the suit of the Erie against the Middletown-Goshen Traction Company.

Judgment for plaintiff was rendered in the suit of the Goshen Savings Bank against Emma B. Terwilliger.

Erie's Pond Eddy Depot Burned.

The Erie depot at Pond Eddy, consisting of a combined dwelling, store, ticket and telegraph office, express and baggage room, was burned to the ground at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon. Some of the property was saved. The origin of the fire is unknown. The loss is covered partially by insurance.

WILLARD MEMORIAL SERVICE.

Drew a Large Audience, Sunday Afternoon, at St. Paul's Church.

The Frances E. Willard memorial service at St. Paul's M. E. Church, Sunday afternoon, drew a large audience of ladies. The programme was carried out as follows:

Anthem.....Choir
Reading xxxix Psalm.....Mrs. H. E. Clark
Prayer.....Mrs. Jessie Bart
Singing—"A charge to keep I have.".....Tribute to Frances E. Willard.
Singing—"Gently, Lord, O gently lead us.".....Address on Neal Dow.....Rev. Dr. Wilson
Quartette.....Address on Frances E. Willard.....Hon. W. J. Groo
Singing—"Lead kindly light.".....Benediction.....

Mrs. W. J. Groo presided, and stated some of the many reasons why Miss Willard's memory should be honored by all temperance workers, and why the national officers of the W. C. T. U. had appointed this day for memorial services. Tributes were paid to Miss Willard by Mrs. Jackson, Mrs. Miller and Mrs. H. dge.

The church was prettily decorated on this occasion by Mrs. Belding.

Miss Willard's picture was placed before the audience, trimmed with smilax, and two doves perched upon the frame. Palms and potted plants also added to the effect.

Possibilities of March Weather.

March weather is full of possibilities. Saturday night we had a thunder storm as severe as those of August and this morning the snow fell as it might have done in midwinter.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE REPORT

JAS. P. TIGHE, Commission Broker, Stern Building, 16 North street, Middletown, N. Y.

NEW YORK, March 21, '98.
Yesterday To-day
Close Close

Sugar.....	11 1/2	11 1/2
Tobacco.....	90 1/2	85 1/2
Chicago Gas.....	91 1/2	91
Nat. Lead.....	29 1/2	29 1/2
General Electric.....	22 1/2	22 1/2
U. S. L. pref.....	57 1/2	56 1/2
Tenn. Coal and Iron.....	19 1/2	19 1/2
A. T. & S. F.....	11 1/2	11 1/2
C. B. & Q.....	91	90 1/2
C. M. & St. P.....	83 1/2	83 1/2
R. I.....	84	83 1/2
D. L. & W.....	92 1/2	92
C. of N. J.....	12 1/2	12 1/2
Erie.....	106 1/2	106 1/2
D. and H.....	14 1/2	14 1/2
O. & W.....	14 1/2	14 1/2
Susquehanna & Western.....	17 1/2	16 1/2
Susquehanna & West. pref.....	11 1/2	11 1/2
N. W.....	110 1/2	109 1/2
N. Y. C.....	26 1/2	26 1/2
M. P.....	19	18 1/2
U. P.....	85 1/2	86
W. Union.....	49 1/2	48 1/2
L. & N.....	101 1/2	100
Manhattan.....	24 1/2	24 1/2
P. M.....	61 1/2	60 1/2
Wabash, pref.....	141 1/2	140 1/2
Nor. Pacific, pref.....	35 1/2	35
Metropolitan Traction.....	20 1/2	20 1/2
Brooklyn Rapid Transit.....	103	104 1/2
Southern, pref.....	29 1/2	29 1/2
May Wheat.....	26 1/2	26 1/2
May Corn.....	\$8 50	\$8 45
May Oats.....	5 07	5 10
May Pork.....		
May Lard.....		

MARRIED.

MANNING—SOUTH—At the Balsville parsonage, by Rev. G. C. Carter, Robert Manning of Bradford, Pa., and Mary South of Swartswood.

DIED.

DOUGHERTY—In this city, March 19th, '98, William M. Dougherty, aged forty-nine years. Funeral private at the residence, No. 57 Linden avenue, Tuesday afternoon, at two o'clock. Relatives will please attend without further notice.

WALSH—At New Hampton, March 19th, '98, Margaret Walsh, aged seventy-five years. Funeral Wednesday, at nine-thirty a. m., from her late residence, and at St. Joseph's Church, in this city, at eleven o'clock, where a solemn mass of requiem will be celebrated. Interment in family plot, St. Joseph's Cemetery.

COOK—At Andover, March 9th, '98, Green C. Cook, aged seventy-one years.

LANCER—At Branchville, March 9th, '98, Harry son of W. H. and Johanna Lancer, aged three years, nine months, twenty-nine days.

SMITH—At Morris Plains, March 10th, '98, Samuel Smith, of Montague, aged sixty-three years.

BROWN—At Warwick, March 11th, '98, Lewis M. Brown, aged seventy-eight years.

VANSTRANDER—At Stone Bridge, March 11th, '98, Nancy VanStrander, aged sixty-four years.

DREW—At New Milford, March 15th, '98, Sylvanus Roe Drew, aged fifty-two years, three months.

FRANK O. ROCKAFELLOW, Funeral Director and Embalmer, 90 North street. Telephone No. 2. Lady assistant, New York office 14 East 33d street, with H. E. Taylor & Co.

KNAPP & MERRITT, Undertakers and Embalmers, 42 West Main street corner Jones, Middletown, N. Y. 50 Great Jones St., New York City. Lady assistant. Telephone Call No. 16.

JOHN CONOVAN, Undertaker and Embalmer, 124 North street. Fine coaches to let. Telephone 15. Lady assistant. Open day and night.

DOUGHERTY & REILLY, Undertakers and Embalmers, 40 Cottage street, Middletown. Telephone 42, night and day. New York office, 18 Great Jones street. Also long distance telephone. Lady assistant.

I. D. OSTERHOUT, Undertaker and Embalmer, N. Y. 46 Myrtle avenue, Brooklyn. 46 Great Jones street, New York.

LACE CURTAINS!

Now is the time you want them. We are showing a very attractive line, consisting of Nottingham at 43, 75, 85c., \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2, \$2.50 and up per pair. Irish Points at \$4.75, \$5, \$6, \$6.75, \$7.50, \$8.50 and up to \$12.75 per pair. Fish Nets from \$4 to \$7.50 per pair. Point Calais \$6.75 per pair and up. Brussels \$7.50. Point de Esprit and Tamboured Curtains, various qualities, together with a large stock of Curtain Materials by the yard at low prices for reliable goods.

CARSON & TOWNER,

No. 11 West Main Street.

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Easter Sunday is April 10th.

You will need a new Spring Suit, a new Hat and Tie. We have them in the latest and most pleasing styles. Have you seen our latest Spring Overcoats? They are beauties.

50 cent Ties are now 25 cents.

The best values in Working Shirts in the city.

Sole agents for Knox Hats.

ADAMS & BOYD,

No. 41 North Street, Middletown.

SWEAT COLLARS.

We Sell All Kinds of Sweat Collars

—AND—

AT PRICES TO SUIT THE TIMES.

JOHN T. OGDEN & SON, 40 W. Main St.

A GOOD TIME TO BUY.

Note the Prices and the Qualities.

1 case Boys' Ribbed Bicycle Hose 2 for 25c

1 case three-thread Ribbed Hose, EXTRA STRONG, 10c.

1 case Oneonta Hose (ladies') a 15c hose, 10c.

1 case real Contille Corsets, a 50c corset, 39c.

1 case Ferris Waists, ladies' and child's, 25, 50, 75c., \$1.

1 case celebrated Jackson Waists, ladies', \$1.

1 case Bleached Muslin 5c, the 7c quality.

1 bale Brown Sheetting 5c, the 7c quality.

20 kinds Dress Goods, reduced from \$2.39 per dress, now \$1.69.

Hundreds of bargains in all departments.

H. E. CHURCHILL & CO.,

No. 39 North Street.

My last year's magazines that I had bound at McINTYRE'S BINDERY, 32 North St., Middletown, look fine and the price was all right.

Thunder and Lightning

Has made its appearance, a'so our stock of

SPRING CAPES!

DON'T BE AFRAID OF EITHER.

We Know the Prices

on Our Capes

Will Not Hurt You, Even if They

are So Low that They

Scare You.

STOP AND EXAMINE THEM

WHEN OUT SHOPPING.

J. D. HORTON, AGT.,

No. 27 West Main Street.

SIX KINDS

of Kodaks or Cameras always in stock. These are of the Eastman make, and there are no better makers of cameras than the Eastman Co.

If you are thinking of Kodaks, let us give you a catalogue of them.

Full line of the Eastman Photographic Supplies, Film, Plates, Solio and Blue Print Paper, Toning Solutions, Developing Outfits, Tripods, Mounts, etc., always on hand. Same is true of Stationery.

Hanford & Horton,

No. 6 North St., Middletown.

'98-Spring and Summer-'98

Warm weather is coming on apace, and we are ready for it as far as clothing is concerned, having already placed on our counters a carefully selected stock of the best gotten up ready-made goods that we have ever seen—it is not too much to say that they are "perfect fitting." They will fit any one of any shape. THESE GOODS ARE NOT SOLD to any other dealer in the city.

THE BEST OF ALL

to you is—it is the cheapest line of clothing for quality and price, that we have ever offered—Clay worsteds, young men's natty summer suits, old men's "all the year round" suits all kinds are included in this lot. We should be pleased to do something for you in the custom line too. We have nice new goods. We make nice, clean fits. Our customers are pleased.

GEO. W. YOUNG.

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Prompt Attention

FROM

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No. 11 to 19 Montgomery St.

Telephone 175—No. 4 North street.

125—No. 15 Montgomery street.

A NEW HAT!

We have taken the agency for a new brand called the "Emerson." This hat is made from the best stock and trimmings obtainable. There is no better. It is sold in other towns for \$3. Our price is \$2.50. We would ask those who have been paying \$3 and \$4 to try an "Emerson" hat.

MORRIS B. WOLF,

Blue Front Store,

One Price Only,

10 North St.

Always in the Lead at STERN'S.

The arrival of new spring goods at our store consists of

NEW SPRING CAPES, JACKETS, SHIRT WAISTS, SILK WAISTS

and a Fine Line of Separate Dress Skirts.

A Satin Brocaded Skirt for \$4.95 is a beauty. We are showing quite a line of Spring Millinery in all its branches. Come and see at our handsome store.

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—TO THE—
Argus and Mercury Office.

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Fine Wedding and other invitations, and Ball Programmes a specialty. Complete stock of all the latest designs.

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G. H. Worcester Repairs Everything

Stitches, Sewing Machines, Lawn Mowers, Guns, Umbrellas, Browsers, Steam, Water and Gas Heaters, Pumps, Sharpening Scissors, Knives, Razors, Etc., EVERYTHING.
No. 74 West Main street, in basement, next to I. G. Mayson & Son's grocery. —G. H. Worcester

Sweet scents for those who love the pleasant smell of flowers. Here's "Apple Blossom," our newest perfume. The dainty pink and white blossoms so soon to beautify our orchards, send their perfume in advance to greet you. We look for great popularity for this, our latest "origination" in perfumes, "Apple Blossom."

Here's "Trailing Arbutus." Though your search for the wee hiding plant be successful, the flower quickly fades. Its odor lingers long in our Extract Trailing Arbutus, a popular favorite for several years.

And here's "Italian Violet," so true to name that, shut your eyes and you fancy fresh violets are before you. (Other perfume makers use the title "Italian Violet," our regular customers know the difference. This word of caution is for others.)

Our Perfumery List includes many other odors of highest quality, best value, all our own make. "American perfumes, made in America, for all true Americans."

McMonagle & Rogers, 30 North St. and 155 North St. (North Side Pharmacy.)

CARPETS!

They are beginning to move. We are booking orders ahead, and are not surprised, as our stock is NEW, CLEAN AND UP-TO-DATE. We have NO OLD GOODS to show, either in

FURNITURE, CARPETS OR CROCKERY, and you will find THE BEST VALUES FOR YOUR DOLLAR AT

The Cheapest Place in the City.

FRANCE & HATHAWAY,

25 AND 27 EAST MAIN STREET
Agents Wheeler & Wilson Sewing Machines. Best in the world.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

—Carriage shop to let.
—Drawing for prize at Greening's.
—Help wanted at the Russell House.
—Nine-room house to let.
—Gold breast pin lost.
—House to let.
—See notice American Legion of Honor.
—Thursday is Geo. Adams' last day.
—"Emerson" hat \$2.50 at Morris B. Wolf's.
—Pure perfumery at McMonagle & Rogers.
—Dyspepsia cured by Scott's Emulsion Tablets.
—Health restored by Dr. Miles' Nervine.
—Calendars given with Fairy Soap.
—Pico's Cure for coughs and colds.
—Constipation cured by Cascarets.
—For backache, Doan's Pills.

LIVE LOCAL TOPICS.

—Very few ducks have been seen along the Wallkill, this spring.
—The D. and H. canal will be opened for navigation by March 28th.
—Remember the date of "A Gay New Yorker" is next Friday evening.
—There are several cases of scarlet fever and diphtheria at Cornwall.
—Martha Washington Lodge meets, to-night, and a large attendance is desired.
—"A Gay New Yorker" will be the attraction at the Casino, next Friday evening.
—The Fishkill Standard says that the Highland Hospital made just \$556 by its French Market entertainment.
—Postmaster Dayton has had the floor of the money order room, covered with linoleum and contemplates further improvements.
—Andrew Frank, of Brooklyn, a Raines law inspector, is in Port Jervis looking after the liquor dealers and making sure that they do not violate the law.
—Diphtheria has again broken out at White Mills, in Wayne county, Pa. The disease is supposed to be traceable to the unsanitary condition of the overcrowded public school.
—On Thursday evening, March 31st, a grand entertainment and festival will be held at Nearing Hall, North street, for the benefit of Rev. T. J. Jackson, pastor of Bethel A. M. E. Church.
—District Deputy Grand Commander Duff will address the members of Empire, Harmonia and Goshen Councils, A. L. of H., in the Knights of Honor hall, to-morrow evening, at 8 o'clock.

PERSONAL.

—Paul Little shows improvement, to-day.
—Luther Colwell, of Florida spent Sunday in town.
—Dennis Callaghan, of Orange, spent Sunday in this city.
—Miss Maggie Cooney, who was taken seriously ill, Friday, is much better, to-day.
—W. H. Hyde, of the post office force, was unable to attend to business, to-day, owing to illness.
—The Misses Anna, Lucy and Annie Cornell, of this city, spent Sunday with friends in Paterson.
—In the absence of Money Order Clerk Hyde, Deputy Postmaster T. B. Dayton is on duty at the post office, to-day.
—A. J. Smith, of New York city, who formerly conducted a stockbrokerage agency in this city, spent Sunday in town.
—The Port Jervis Union notes that Miss Alaura Duray, of Matamoras, returned, Friday, from an extended visit to Middletown, Warwick, Otisville and other places.
—Ensign Powelson was among the guests at a small dinner given in Havana, Saturday evening, by Lispeurd Stewart and Dudley G. Gautier, of New York, to Consul-General Lee and Capt. Sigbee.
—William Vanamee was toastmaster at the dinner of the executive committee of Newburgh's Lincoln Association at the Palatine, Saturday evening. The dinner is said to have been the finest ever served in Newburgh.

Called to the Ballston M. E. Church.

Rev. W. W. Cox, brother of A. W. Cox, of this city, who has been presiding over the Granville M. E. Church, has received a call from the Ballston, N. Y., M. E. Church, which will be accepted with the consent of Conference.
The Granville Sentinel says in commendation of Mr. Cox: "He is a true christian, an eloquent and convincing preacher, and has the happy faculty of attending strictly to his own affairs—letting other people's alone."

Notes of St. Joseph's Church.

—Services will be held, Friday evening, Father Hayne, of Irvington, officiating.
—Father Prendergast, of Port Jervis, will exchange pulpits with Father O'Hanlon, Saturday.
—Rev. Father McClancy will go to Yonkers, to-morrow, and to Irvington, Wednesday.

Will Remain at the Big Store.

Chas. H. Van Leuvan, who has been in the employ of Geo. B. Adams & Co. for the past eleven years, will remain in the big store with J. W. Tompkins, who takes possession April 1st.

Give the Children a Drink

called Grain-O. It is a delicious, appetizing, nourishing food drink to take the place of coffee. Sold by all grocers and liked by all who have used it because when properly prepared it tastes like the finest coffee but is free from all its injurious properties. Grain-O aids digestion and strengthens the nerves. It is not a stimulant but a health builder and children, as well as adults, can drink it with great benefit. Costs about one-fourth as much as coffee. 15 and 25c.

To Cure Constipation Forever.
Take Chamberlain's Candy Cathartic. 25c or 50c. If C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money.

MORE AND PURER WATER.

REASONS WHY MIDDLETOWN NEEDS IT—SUMMARIZED.

The Preservation of the Public Health Requires It—Feverish Lark in Present Supply—Evil of Alkaline Water from the Pumps—Extension of Water System Will Bring No Increase in Taxation—Middletown Must Have More Water if It is to Grow and Prosper.

The irregularity of the vote on the water question, taken last week, makes necessary another ballot. The Argus, impressed that the future of the city is largely dependent upon the yes or no vote of its taxpayers upon this momentous issue, presents the following in advocacy of "more and purer water."

THE QUESTION OF SANITATION.

The present water supply engenders disease. Evidences of this were had in the outbreak of typhoid fever suffered in the summer and fall of 1896 and '97, and in the many cases of malarial fever which afflicted this population in the same periods. This is no mere layman's arbitrary dictum, but is the well-settled judgment of the highest medical practitioners in our midst. In the use of this polluted water upon streets and lawns and in the household, in the months when the supply was at lowest stage, was supercharged with vegetable decomposition, as was made manifest by the sickening and deadly exhalations it discharged into the atmosphere and the air of living apartments, they found all-sufficient cause for the marked increase of cases of these maladies in the city.

Water that corrupts the air into which it is discharged, that is a stench in the bathroom, that is so befouled as to be sickening as drink to man and beast, surely carries with it germs which are deadly to health and life.

VOLUME OF SUPPLY PROMOTES HEALTH.

We want water to waste, if such a thing as waste could be possible in prodigality in its use, which is not to be imagined, for when prodigally used it cleanses and purifies all things with which it comes in contact. The virtues of running water are of the oldest knowledge of the race. Nothing can withstand its purifying forces. All things are made sweet and wholesome by its marvellous workings. Shall we deny ourselves its manifold blessings when we have but to reach out and obtain them? Shall our sewers go unflushed of their poison breeding filth; our water mains be suffered to be coated with slime and charged with silt and nastiness when water, water from the mountains, water from springs, in endless volume of supply with which to abolish these evils is at our command?

DESTRUCTIVE OF FABRICS.

The alkaline water delivered to the city by the pumping station at Ordeu's flat is, as every housewife compelled to use it knows, ruinous to all fabrics washed in it. Three times the quantity of soap, required when soft water is used, is needed to make this water wash, but even this does not suffice, the soap has to be reinforced by use of undue quantities of soda-ash, another destructive agent.

BREEDS GRAVEL.

This alkaline water goes still further in its mischief breeding. The most painful and lingering malady, gravel, is promoted by it. For the same reason that it chaps the hands, makes rough the skin it touches, its supercharge of lime when taken in equally forms calculi. That such is the fact you may learn from your family physician, whose circle of patients suffering from this disease is steadily and surely growing.

PROFIT IN "MORE AND PURER WATER."

Were it not for an altogether ungrounded fear that the proposed sum of expenditure for a new and greater water supply means higher taxation, not a vote would be recorded against it. Those who most oppose have this, and only this, for argument. Not one among the number has the heart or the effrontery to attempt to excuse or palliate the evils of the present water supply. The dreadful effluvia of the outpourings of Monahagan and Highland lakes is no more afar of roses to their nostrils than is it to those of their neighbors who seek a remedy and who would have it even had they to pay a penny or two for it. But in the abolishing of this evil, and in the obtaining of "more and purer water," there is, happily, profit, not cost.

The approximate annual cost of the pumping station at Ordeu's flat is \$4,000, equal to 4 per cent. on \$100,000 of the \$175,000 asked for by the Water Commissioners. Another outlay is the several hundred dollars a year salary paid a water inspector, a servant whose services will not be needed when we enjoy water in such large supply as is proposed, for then there will be no occasion for meters for an inspector to inspect. Here are two annual expenditures approximating \$5,000, which, with the new supply on tap, will be lopped off. The interest charge on \$175,000, borrowed at 3½ per cent., is \$6,125. We can borrow at this rate. A saving of fully two-thirds of this sum of annual interest charge on \$175,000 is to be had as is above made apparent. So far so good. But after this comes in the factor of fresh growth of population sure to be attained through "more and purer water." We may, too, look forward to new lines of industries coming to us; industries which must enjoy water of high purity and in great volume of supply, with not too great cost. Nor is it to be lost sight of that we have in the State a consumer whose requirements are ever on the increase; a consumer demanding better water and larger supply for its 1,500 Hospital population. No premium are these needs that if we longer fail to pro-

vide for them, the State will be compelled to independent action. If we act in this direction we may look with confidence to the State paying us an annual sum for free and unlimited water consumption as will go a good way toward picking out our interest charge on the proposed expenditure of \$175,000.

THE SAME OLD STORY.

It so happens that this issue comes upon us at a time of year when, in the order of the elements, the water supply in the reservoirs is certain to be in largest volume, and as we contemplate our acres of storage we are deluded into belief that we can go on tapping it forever, only to awaken later on to the fact that consumption and evaporation bring with each recurring season the same experience of shrinkage to short rations and unbearable bad quality.

THE ISSUE SUMMARIZED.

That Middletown, instead of being what it is to-day, a thriving city, would have crept slowly where it has run swiftly, would have experienced a struggling and precarious career, would be now in village swaddling clothes, had it not been for the indomitable pluck, splendid energies, marked sagacity and spirit of go-aheadness, which characterized the men who gave it its impulse in years gone by, who of us but must bear witness and give grateful testimony? And now the question is here, shall we hew to the lines which the progenitors of Middletown laid down for our guidance, or shall we, "penny wise and pound foolish," go back on the record?

We want the water we can bring here. We want water to burn. (to perpetrate a bull) to send rushing through our sewers; to blow out our water mains, every few days; to use so lavishly that we may defy drought to make "sere and yellow" our lawns; to sprinkle our streets; to furnish full factory supply in driest weather; to flush Monahagan Creek; to afford that other city upon the hill, nearby, with its 15,000 souls all it wants with no meter to record its consumption; to drown fires; to use whenever and however and in whatever way we may want to use it. It is God's gift. It should be stinted to no one of his creatures in all its be it purity and wholesomeness.

OBITUARY.

All the B. Royce.

Miss Alletta B. Royce died at Newburgh, Saturday. The deceased was a daughter of the late Charles B. Royce, of Newburgh, and was an own cousin of Mrs. D. H. Webster and W. B. Royce, of this city. They went to the funeral, to-day, accompanied by Miss Edith C. Royce.

Mrs. Elsie Catherine Osterhout.

Mrs. Elsie C. Osterhout, whose death was mentioned Saturday, was in her 69th year. Besides her husband the deceased is survived by nine children: Mary F., wife of C. W. Edgar; Maria A., wife of G. B. Ives; Leah D., Mertie A. and Edwin C. of this city; Julia A., wife of A. M. Bedford; John V., of New Rochelle; and Wynett K., of Rome, N. Y. Private funeral services will be held at her late home at 7:30, to-night, Mrs. Wilson and Beattie officiating, and the burial will be in Hillsdale at the convenience of the family.

William M. Dougherty.

William M. Dougherty, mention of whose death in the State Hospital was made Saturday, was a conductor on the Erie from 1869 to '76 and at that time resided in Port Jervis. He removed from Port Jervis to Chicago in 1876 and for nine years carried on the grocery business there successfully. In 1885 he came to this city and engaged in the furniture business on North street. Five years ago his health failed him and paresis developed which ultimately caused his death.

He is survived by his wife, whose maiden name was Purdy, and to whom he was married Dec. 26, 1871. He is also survived by his mother, Mrs. Jane Chamberlain, wife of P. Chamberlain, of Rowlands, Pa., and by three brothers, Clark E., of Wilkesbarre, Pa., and John and Alvy, of New York.

He was a member of Port Jervis Lodge, F. and A. M., Minisink Chapter, R. A. M., Delaware Commandery, K. T., and also the Scottish Rite Consistory.

OBITUARY NOTES.

—A. D. Seaman has received notice of the death of his friend, G. Henry Holcomb, of Norwich, N. Y.

—Thomas Smith, a farmer living midway between Satterlytown and Monroe, died, Thursday. His age was seventy-six years. He is survived by his wife, who is very feeble, and two sons.

—Jesse Durland, a well known and respected farmer living near Oxford Depot, died on Wednesday. He is survived by his wife and one son, Ralph. His age was about sixty years. The funeral was held on Saturday.

—Evander Sly, who died at his home at Canandaigua last week, was a native of Orange, having been born in the town of Warwick ninety years ago. He removed to Ontario when a young man, and established a manufactory of woollen goods on the outlet of Canandaigua Lake, near the village of Chapinville.

Insurance Losses by the Low Building Fire.

The insurance losses of the tenants of the Low Building, as a result of the recent fire, have been adjusted as follows: Odd Fellows, \$187.50; John C. B. Taylor, \$75; B. F. Low's office, \$75; George Shannon, \$1,350, and Jacob Gunther, \$100.

AT THE COUNTY SEAT.

INCIDENTS AND HAPPENINGS IN GOSHEN TOWN.

Very successful Soiree—Gould's Gallia Not sung—Mass for the Value's Victims—Orange Lodge's Anniversary—Garden seeds at the St. Elmo.

From Our Regular Correspondent

—The net receipts of the soiree of the Ladies' Social Aid Society, last Friday, were \$50.

—Owing to the sudden illness of Miss Frances Miller, the soprano soloist, Gould's "Gallia" was not sung Sunday night at the Presbyterian Church.

—At St. John's Church, Sunday, a mass was said for the men who went down with the Maine.

—Rev. George C. Betts, Sunday, exchanged pulpits with Rev. Dr. Ward, of Kingston.

—The fifteenth anniversary celebration of Orange Lodge will be held in their rooms, to-night.

—Government garden seeds have been received by R. B. Hock. Those desiring a package may have them by calling at the St. Elmo. First come first served.

GIFTS TO EX-POSTMASTER ELWOOD

Presented With a Handsome Desk by Post Office Employees—Postmaster Dayton's Gift.

Ex-Postmaster Charles L. Elwood was given a surprise, Saturday night, by the post office staff. The carriers and clerks, Postmaster Dayton and A. C. N. Thompson, who has charge of the special delivery department, Jacob Gunther and Mr. and Mrs. E. D. C. Evans constituted the party.

Mr. Dayton opened the proceedings as soon as Mr. Elwood had been summoned from his brother-in-law's grocery on Academy avenue. In a few well chosen words he presented the ex-P. M. with a handsome Charter Oak roll top desk. Mr. Elwood was greatly surprised, but responded in his usual apt manner.

A. C. N. Thompson, on behalf of Mr. Dayton, then presented Mr. Elwood with a serviceable and attractive chair to match the desk. Mr. Thompson's eloquence was only excelled by the silver-tongued oratory of the recipient, who replied again.

Mrs. Elwood, who had been let into the scheme, then served refreshments and the party had a fine time until 11:30 o'clock. During the evening some choice musical selections were rendered by Messrs. Egan, Garland and Thompson. The sentiment expressed on the card accompanying the desk was as follows:

Presented to ex-Postmaster Charles L. Elwood as a slight token of appreciation of our regard and esteem for him, as a public official, a private citizen and our superior, as a slight assurance that in memory dear we hold thee ever."

HYMENEAL.

Newmark—Waxman.

Jacob Newmark, proprietor of the lunch wagon, married Miss Fannie Waxman, Sunday afternoon, at 177 East Broadway, New York City. The couple will occupy apartments at 34 Lake Avenue, which the groom has recently furnished.

Special Meeting of the Common Council, To-night.

The Common Council will hold a special meeting to-night, to discuss finances.

The calling of another special election on the water question will not come up until the next regular meeting.

BE-FOUR ALL.

To cleanse the system in a gentle and truly beneficial manner, when the Springtime comes, use the true and perfect remedy, Syrup of Figs. Buy the genuine. Manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co., only, and for sale by all druggists, at 50 cents per bottle.

Mother and Son.

Middletown, N. Y. March 17, 1898. John V. Gebhart, P. O. box 170, this town states that his experience with the famous medicine, Hood's Sarsaparilla, has been very gratifying. He suffered from impure blood and disordered stomach, and was unable to sleep at night. As his mother had taken the medicine with benefit while suffering from nervous weakness and loss of appetite, she advised him to try it, and after taking a few bottles he was completely cured.

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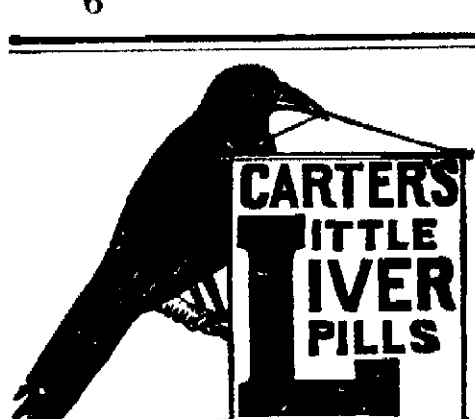
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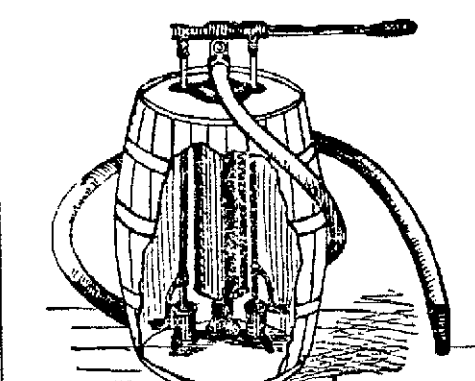
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HORTICULTURE

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DOUBLE CYLINDER SPRAY PUMP.

cooled, the lime wash is poured through a fine mesh sieve into the dissolved copper sulphate. To the mixture is then added 25 to 50 gallons of water. Destruction to fungous is probably caused by the copper, which is held in place by the lime. Should the bordeaux mixture disfigure the fruit, the ammoniacal carbonate of copper should be used and applied often, as it washes easily. Formula: Copper carbonate three ounces, ammonia enough to dissolve the copper, water 40 gallons.

Paris green and kerosene emulsion are the insecticides in most common use. Paris green effectually destroys chewing or leaf-eating insects, and is less liable to injure foliage than long on purple. Use in water, one pound to 20 gallons. If lime is added, or the Paris green added to the bordeaux mixture, use one pound to 50 gallons. For sucking insects, the kerosene emulsion is unequalled. Dissolve a half-pound of bar soap in two gallons of hot water, and while hot add two gallons of kerosene oil and stir until a lard-like substance is formed. When used, dilute with water to 13 or 25 gallons. Insects and fungous growths appear together, hence, many combine Paris green with the bordeaux mixture, saving half the cost of application. For applying, the pump selected should throw a heavy stream, with considerable force, and yet work with ease. The illustration herewith shows a powerful pump and suitable sprayer for all ordinary crops. The barrel is readily mounted on any form of wagon.—Prof. S. T. Maynard, Mass. Agr. College, in Farm and Home.

HORTICULTURAL HINTS.

Give the orchard all the potash that it needs.

Coarse, raw manure is not fit for the garden.

Toads, frogs and lizards are useful in the garden.

The gourd melon is the best seller in the market.

Prune the quince tree and train it to a single stem.

Missouri sold \$19,500,000 worth of fruit last year.

Extra work in getting a good seed bed pays in garden work.

Cut off all the bruised roots when planting a tree, but do not mutilate the top.

A neglected orchard incumbers land that might be used profitably for other purposes.

A late crop of cabbage is easily grown, for the seed can be planted in the open ground.

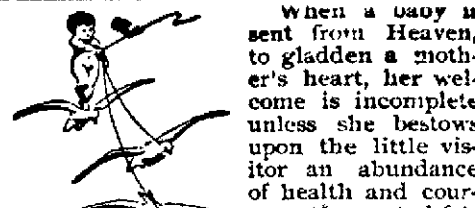
Five acres in cucumbers for pickles will ordinarily pay as much as all the rest of the farm.—Western Plowman

Feeding Pills to Plants.

The following note by Mr. Paul, of Chesham, on the method employed by M. Georges Truffaut of administering artificial food to plants is of considerable interest to horticulturists. After an analysis of the ash of the living plant, the necessary salts for a given time, such as six months, are weighed out and enclosed in a metal cover to form what is called a "pill," which is presumably inserted in the pot, diffusion of the salts taking place through the folds of the metal, and the thicker the metal the slower the diffusion. As the salts dissolve and disappear they are replaced by a core which expands until it completely fills the "pill." The salts have no action on the metal cover which remains firm and hard. It is stated that the solubility of the salts can be so regulated that a "pill" may be made to last three or six months, as may be desired. By this method of feeding large well-colored plants are grown in pots of less than half the usual size.

Charcoal for Lawns.

The dark color of charcoal makes it absorb heat, and thus warm the land to which it is applied as a dressing. It may also have considerable manurial value, as the charcoal easily absorbs ammonia, and if soaked in strong manure water from a compost it will carry the ammonia to the lawn in less offensive form than in the manure, which is often used for that purpose.



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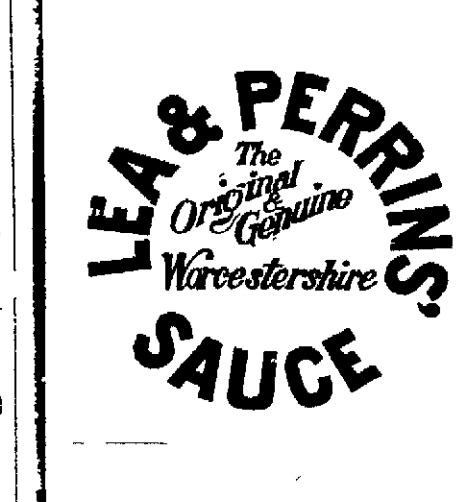
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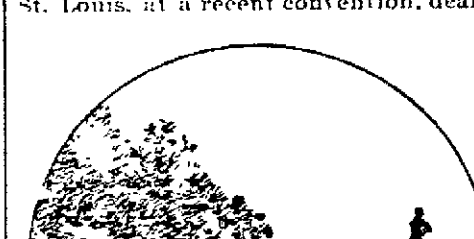
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ROAD IMPROVEMENT.

FACTS AND FIGURES.

The Economy of Good Roads Demonstrated by Statistics.

Perhaps the most cogent argument in favor of the movement to establish good roads is that presented by the economic aspect of the question. That improved means of communication between town and country is a desideratum all are agreed; but no one argument in their favor will appeal to the taxpayer, who will be called upon to furnish the necessary funds, so strongly as that of self-interest. The farmers, who are perhaps more vitally interested in improved highways than any other class, are not yet so impressed with the benefits it will confer upon them as they will be when the subject has had more ample and detailed discussion. When they are shown the immense saving in horse-flesh, wear and tear of harness, wagons, etc., a saving far beyond any contribution they would be called upon to make in any well-devised system of road improvement, the natural objection which all prudent men have to any increase of taxation, will vanish or be greatly diminished. A paper read by Prof. S. Waterhouse, of Washington University, St. Louis, at a recent convention, deals



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with this subject in a very convincing manner. He says: "The economic importance of good roads has been demonstrated by startling statistics. It has been shown that the traction force required to move 2,000 pounds at a speed of three miles an hour over a level road of iron, asphalt, loose gravel, and soft sand is, respectively, 8, 17, 320 and 448 pounds. From this statement, it may easily be inferred how costly bad roads are. Iron and asphalt are mentioned for the sake of comparison. It takes a much longer time, and requires a far greater tractive force to haul light loads over bad roads than it does to draw heavy loads over good roads. The unnecessary strains to which bad roads subject teams, harness and wagons are very wearing. Rough usage seriously injures the farmers' equipment. Improved highways would prevent avoidable depreciation of property and increase the gain of producers."

These are facts which must appeal to every practical man, whether farmer or engaged in any other occupation which necessitates the use of horses on our highways. When it is conclusively proved that two horses on a good road can do more and faster work than four on roads in the average condition of our present public highways, it seems almost unnecessary to advance any further argument in favor of a change. "Every industry in this land is affected by the condition of its highways. If our countrymen would improve our primary transportation they would lift from American prosperity an annual burden of \$500,000,000, and enable the United States more quickly to achieve its commercial ascendancy."—Journal of Agriculture.

Laying Out Country Roads.

In laying out a road as much attention should be paid to the grade as to the distance. It is better to add ten per cent to the distance than five per cent to the steepness of the ascent. The unnecessary exhausting of the team is not only an inhuman but a wasteful process. It is better to take a longer road easily for a distance of three miles than to exhaust the team in hauling the same load over a rough two-mile "cut-off." No intelligent effort should be spared in laying out the road properly, so as to diminish the wear and tear of team, harness and wagon, and say nothing of the subsequent pleasure and profit that will be sure to follow the conservation of a first-class road.—Rural World.

Solid Roads the Cheapest.

Good roads as "a creation of man and a type of civilized society" is a theme much dwelt upon, and has not even yet received all the consideration it deserves. But it is well to remember that time is required to build permanent highways, and that such conditions as are found in some foreign countries can only be realized here after generations have worked along some clear line of improvement for many years. Solid, substantial roads are the cheapest in the end, but they cost a great deal of money. It is injudicious and wasteful to attempt the best and then do it in a shoddy manner. Better, far, do less and do it thoroughly.—L. A. W. Bulletin.

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They rave and they rant in a terrible way.
For the muse is beyond their control.
I'm quite well aware I'm not in it with you!
As those who with genius are thrilled.
For somehow my life doesn't bother me
Much.
If my stomach is comfortably filled
They tell me true poetry has to be said
In order to have it O K.
You've got to appear to be billions of men
And smash everything in your way
But somehow my muse is so docile and
Tame.
And my pleasure so full and complete.
I feel just as glad as the happiest child
If I just get a plenty to eat.
I've loved and that sort of a thing, now and
Then.
In fact I've been in it quite deep.
I've been jilted and jilted, yes, time and
again.
But I never have lost any sleep
My heart, I observe, keeps a-thumping
along.
In its old-fashioned, business-like way.
And to me all the world is filled up with
us.

"My Mamma Says So."
A little maiden six years old.
With curling hair of fine spun gold.
Stood swinging on a garden gate
And chattering to a tiny mate
Of marvelous happenings of late
In some far distant foreign state.
"My dear," said I, "how do you know
That all these wondrous things are so?"
Slowly she raised her azure eyes,
Filled with unspeakable surprise,
Then said with childish dignity
Most quaint and beautiful to see:
"My mamma says so!"

Dear little girl, in future years,
When those sweet eyes are dimmed with
tears.
When haunting doubts obscure your view
And trusted teachers prove untrue.
Not all the lore of sages old,
Not all the dreams of prophets new,
Painted in dyes of dazzling hue,
Shall have such weight in time of need
As had thy childhood's simple creed.
"My mamma says so!"
—Mary Marshall Parks, in Youth's Companion.

He Knoweth Best.
They go, our loved ones pass away.
They sink into eternal rest.
We miss them many a weary day—
But God knows best, He knoweth best.
"Tis hard to see in loss a gain.
It seems of fate a bitter jest:
Yet comes the whisper o'er our pain—
He knoweth best, God knoweth best.
We miss the accustomed voice and touch
"Thou needst them not!" we cry, dis-
tressed.
They were to us so much, so much!
Yet God knows best, He knoweth best.
We view the empty place with tears,
And life seems robbed of half its zest.
But we shall learn with passing years
That He knows best, that God knoweth
best.

With All Her Faults I Love Her Still.
She pulls my hair, she slaps my face, she
kicks me on my shins.
And when I enter protest, why, she mere-
ly laughs and grins.
She watches me with jealous eyes, she fol-
lows me about,
And if I dare to leave her side my name
she'll loudly shout.
In public, she has oft been known to rude-
ly pull my nose.
She thinks there's nothing wrong in rough-
ly treading on my toes:
She nightly turns my pockets and relieves
me of my change,
She purloins everything of mine that comes
within her range.
She has a dreadful temper, a strong and
scurdy will,
But with her many glaring faults I love
her dearly still.
She's worth to me ten thousand times her
weight in precious gold.
My little bright-eyed baby girl—she's only
three years old.
—L. P. Hext, in N. Y. Truth.

Her Refusal.
Oh, will you assist me in winning
The sweet little maid I adore?
Oh, say but one word in my favor,
And I'll be your bond slave evermore.
She.
How dare you, sir, ask my assistance
In such an affair? I decline!
But who is she? Merely nobody
That dares to claim friendship of mine!
He.
Nay, Judge her not harshly! You know
her!
You love and you honor her, too;
Oh, say but one word in my favor—
The sweet little maiden is—you!

She.
Again I refuse my assistance—
But stay—pluck up courage—you see
I decline to assist you because you
Don't need any assistance from me.
—Chicago News.

"Girl Bachelors."
"Old maids," we're told, have passed
away.
They're now quite out of date:
They're one and all become, they say,
"Girl bachelors," of late.
They go about just like "the boys,"
Each has her "club" and "den,"
And likewise all her worldly joys
The same as do the men.

She doesn't seem to have a care
Her placid mind to vex,
And acts as though she's unaware
That there's another sex.
But don't you ever be misled
For, mind you, when she can,
A wise "girl bachelor" will wed
The proper "old maid man."
—L. A. W. Bulletin.

Into the Abyss.
He had met the fairest maiden out of heav-
en.
They had chatted easily for a little while
When they parted she turned half around
and thrilled him
With the faintest, sweet suggestion of a
smile.
Then he rushed away to look into a mirror.
Woe struck his heart and overwhelmed him.
For his necktie, gentle reader, was un-
fastened.
And clinking up his collar back behind
—Chicago News.

Overcome Evil with Good.
With burning brain and heart of hate,
I sought my wayward, early, late,
And all the wretched nights and day
My dream and thought was slay, and slay
My better self rose uppermost,
The beast within my bosom lost
Itself in love, peace from afar
Shone o'er me radiant like a star.
I slew my wronger with a deed
A deed of love: I made him bleed
With kindnesses, I filled for years
His soul with tenderness and tears.

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A WURTSBORO HOTEL BURNED.

The Philcox Hotel Destroyed by Fire, Sunday Evening.—The Wurtsboro Correspondent.

The Philcox Hotel, in the eastern end of this village, owned and occupied by Henry R. Philcox, caught fire, presumably from the kitchen chimney about 6 o'clock, Sunday evening, and was totally destroyed. The fire was first discovered in the roof on the rear side of the house, near the chimney, and it was at once evident that there was no chance to save the building, so the crowd of willing workers that soon gathered, entered the kitchen door and at once began the work of removal of furniture, etc. Nearly everything on the first and second floors was saved, but about thirty bushels of potatoes and other food supplies in the cellar were destroyed.

Mr. and Mrs. Philcox and her daughter, Miss Ella M. Reynolds, were at Rock Hill, having left the house in charge of Abram Brown, a young man employed by Mr. Philcox. He was at a neighbor's at the time the alarm was given. As the fire was at first confined to the attic it would have been unnoticed by him had he been in the house.

The hotel shed was razed to the ground, thus preventing the destruction by fire of Mercein Skinner's tenement, occupied by Levi German.

We learn there was an insurance of \$1,500 on the building, which will not half cover the loss. It is not known at this writing whether Mr. Philcox will rebuild or not.

Mr. Philcox was married three years ago, Sunday, and moved in the hotel the following day.

Both Messrs. Philcox and German wish to thank their kind neighbors and friends, who by hard work protected their property from destruction.

AFTER THE BALL.

Who Were the Couple That Were Locked in the Casino?

The boys are all wondering what the names of the couple were who were let out of the Casino, about 4:30 a. m., after the big masquerade ball, last week. The place was supposed to have been entirely vacated, the doors had been locked for the night and Billy Allison and the musicians had gone over to Capt. Totten's for some refreshments. When they had finished and were standing in front of the place the front door of the Casino was heard to rattle. Billy had the key and he went across the street and opened the big door.

The couple walked out and quickly disappeared while the jarring laughter of those who saw the occurrence rang in their ears. Billy won't tell who they were and the others didn't know, but you can bet her "mamma" does.

WILL ATTEND AN ANNIVERSARY.

Lancelot Lodge Invited to the Celebration of the Chester Lodge's Fourth Anniversary.

The social of Lancelot Lodge, K. of P., No. 169, which was to have been held April 19th, will be held April 12th on account of the lodge accepting the invitation of Chester Lodge, No. 363, to be present at the celebration of its fourth anniversary April 20th, in Bodle's opera house, Chester. Tickets for the Friday may be procured at the lodge, next Friday night, for the members and their ladies who can go.

The rank of esquire was conferred on two pages, last Friday evening, by Lancelot Lodge and the rank of knight will be worked next Friday evening.

WHO MADE THE MISTAKE?

How the Water Election Hours Were Shortened.

Ex-Alderman Crane is the man who seems to be primarily responsible for the fluke in the vote on the water question.

His resolution, adopted by the old Council at its meeting, Feb. 28th, fixed the hours of the election at from 3 to 7 and the clerk was also careless in preparing the notice of the election in following the text of the resolution, without looking to see if it complied with the requirements of the charter.

A THEATRICAL VENTURE.

A Middletown Preparing to Take a Company on the Road.

Edward Fuller, an employee of the A. & P. Tea Company, is planning a theatrical venture for next fall. L. C. Terwilliger is building a large wagon for him, a sort of trolley, which will accommodate eighteen people, and on this they intend to go about the country giving entertainments in halls and opera houses. He intends to "carry good people," and his venture should prove successful.

CITY ENGINEER HARRIS'S ASSISTANT.

W. R. Walton, who has been employed by the Erie Railroad company for six and a half years, has resigned, and has accepted a position with Van Allen Harris, city engineer. He assumes his new duties Wednesday.

Catarrh and Colds Believed in 10 to 60 Minutes.

One short puff of the breath through the blower, supplied with each bottle of Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder, diffuses this powder over the surface of the nasal passages. Painless and delightful to use. It relieves instantly, and permanently cures Catarrh, Hay Fever, Colds, Headache, Sore Throat, Tonsillitis and Deafness. 50 cents. Sold by James T. King and McMonagle & Rogers.

Dr. Will's Catarrh Powder is guaranteed to stop hemorrhoids in 10 minutes. One puff a dose.

AIDED BY MRS. PINKHAM.

Mrs. W. E. PAXTON, Youngtown, North Dakota, writes about her struggle to regain health after the birth of her little girl:

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—It is with pleasure that I add my testimony to your list, hoping that it may induce others to avail themselves of your valuable medicine. "After the birth of my little girl, three years ago, my health was very poor. I had leucorrhoea badly, and a terrible bearing-down pain which gradually grew worse, until I could do no work. Also had headache nearly all the time, and dizzy feelings. Menstruations were very profuse, appearing every two weeks. "I took medicine from a good doctor, but it seemed to do no good. I was becoming alarmed over my condition, when I read your advertisement in a paper. I sent at once for a bottle of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and after taking two-thirds of the bottle I felt so much better that I sent for two more. After using three bottles I felt as strong and well as any one."

"I think it is the best medicine for female weakness ever advertised, and recommend it to every lady I meet suffering from this trouble."

Maternity is a wonderful experience and many women approach it wholly unprepared. Childbirth under right conditions need not terrify women.

The advice of Mrs. Pinkham is freely offered to all expectant mothers, and her advice is beyond question the most valuable to be obtained. If Mrs. Paxton had written to Mrs. Pinkham before confinement she would have been saved much suffering. Mrs. Pinkham's address is Lynn, Mass.

A LAMP EXPLOSION.

Caused a "Light Fire on Cottage Street—A Mother's Timely Return Saved Children's Lives.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Doremus, of No. 42 Cottage street, went out, Saturday night, leaving two children alone in the house. In their absence the lamp exploded and set fire to a Brussels carpet, dining room table, etc.

The fire had gained considerable headway when Mrs. Doremus returned. She bravely fought the fire alone and succeeded in extinguishing it. The loss will be about \$50.

J. H. Wallick's Company at the Casino.

J. H. Wallick's company played "A Guilty Mother" to a large audience at the Casino, Saturday evening. The play is a melodrama of the most melodramatic type and abounds in strong situations. The company is a good one.

Mr. Wallick has had a good season and has reason to be gratified at the welcome given him by his Middletown friends.

A Free Exhibition.

Free exhibition of bread baking with the Imperial Willard range. Come and see it bake a barrel of flour on seven cents worth of coal on Wednesday, March 23, from 8 a. m. to 6 p. m. Hoyt & Galloway, 10 East Main street.

The O. and W. Band's First Appearance

The O. and W. Band will make its first public appearance at Ontario truck house, to-night, when the award of the silver-plated torch to be presented by the band to the O. and W. engineer receiving the most votes will be made.

Trees, plants, and all nursery stock fresh from the ground is very apt to live and start growing at once. Most anyone reading this paper can send in their order, have it filled and receive the stock the same day. Prices are low, stock first class. Special discounts for early orders. Catalogues mailed free. Address: T. J. Sawyer & Son, box 4, Orange Co. Nurseries, Cornwall, N. Y.

Stomach Trouble

Stomach trouble is the common name applied to a derangement of the system which is keenly felt but vaguely understood. It may mean inability to retain food or to digest it. It may mean nausea, pain after eating, fullness, inordinate craving for food, or entire lack of appetite. Whatever it means, there's trouble, and it's with the stomach. If you have stomach trouble, you will be interested in this letter from a man who had it and was cured by

Ayer's Sarsaparilla

"For nine years I suffered from stomach trouble. I tried the aid of the best doctors of Philadelphia and Pittsburg, and spent large sums of money, all in vain. One day while waiting a train in Belknap, O., I picked up a paper with a notice of Ayer's Sarsaparilla. I got one bottle to try it. It did me so much good that I purchased five more bottles. I took four of them and gained in flesh, my appetite improved, and now I can eat anything. My stomach is all right, thanks to the use of Ayer's Sarsaparilla."—CALVIN M. STEVENSON, Columbus, Pa.

RURAL MAIL DELIVERY.

Only a Question of Time When It Will Be Generally Established.

For some time the government has been making a trial of free rural mail delivery in 29 states on 44 different routes. These routes were located in widely-scattered districts, differing from each other in general character as far as possible. The mountain districts of Arkansas, the back country districts of the middle west, the negro settlements of the south, the farming districts of other states—all kinds of territory were covered in order to give the plan a thorough test. Perry Heath, who has had the supervision of the trial, says in his report that, according to the varying conditions of the country traversed, the rural carriers perform their service on horseback or riding in buckboards, buggies, two-wheeled carts or on bicycles. In some states they have to cross farms and pull down bars and ride over fields to deliver and collect their mails. In no instance has any serious complaint been made of this invasion of private rights. On the contrary, the cooperation of the communities served has in every instance been effectively and cheerfully given. The farmers, at their own cost, have put up boxes at the crossroads and at all other convenient places for the reception of the mails. The general results obtained have been so satisfactory as to suggest the feasibility of making rural delivery a permanent feature of postal administration in the United States, not immediately or in all districts at once, but in some graduated form.

From this time on, therefore, we may expect to see a movement for the permanent establishment of such a system. The appropriation for the experiment was only intended to cover it as such, and for any further development of the system other provision will have to be made. This provision will naturally be gradual, inasmuch as the establishment of the system throughout all the rural districts at once would entail an enormous expense. But it has been proved that the plan is feasible and that it meets a demand. Therefore it is only a question of time when it will be generally established.—Dakota Field and Farm.

VIRGINIA'S CONVICTS.

To Be Employed in the Construction of State Roads.

The bill to be introduced in the Virginia legislature, for the employment of convicts on the roads of the state, provides that all able-bodied male prisoners, sentenced to jail or penitentiary for more than 90 days, shall be subject to work on the roads. Those sentenced to county jails shall work upon the roads of such counties, unless there is no immediate need of them, in which case they may be hired to other counties, but only for road work.

The convicts not required for services in the penitentiary are to be distributed among the counties, on application, and none are to be hired out for any purpose but road work. Not less than five, nor more than 25, are to be assigned to any one county, every assignment to be made for a year, unless shorter time is requested, and then for not less than 90 days. If the number of convicts is not sufficient to fill the applications, they are to be supplied ratably.

Convicts, in respect to their work, are to be under the control of the county authorities in which they work; but, as prisoners, they are to "remain in the custody of the state authorities as if they remained in the penitentiary," and transportation expenses, guarding, feeding, clothing and medical attendance are to be paid by the state, the counties to provide suitable shelter.

Each county is to adopt and put in operation a scheme or plan for working its roads by such prisoners in its jail as are available, together with those which may be secured from the state, and "every county shall annually levy a road tax of not less than 15 cents, nor more than 30 cents, on every \$100 of the value of the property, real and personal, assessed for taxes in the county, the proceeds to be applied to road improvement in said county."—L. A. W. Bulletin.

Henry Ward Beecher Said.

"It is a sin to neglect your health" Why do you do it? when you know that the seven remedies of the famous Blue B. of the Jee Hing Yook Series will cure you or your money will be refunded. No. 1 cures Rheumatism; No. 2 cures La Grippe; No. 3 cures a Cough or Cold; No. 4 cures Catarrh; No. 5 is a wonderful Tonic; No. 6 cures Impotence; No. 7 is the Chief's n's Relief Soothing Syrup, and so cheap. Call for sample free. 1,000 references. John J. Chambers, druggist. Sole agent for Middletown, N. Y. 37 North St.

Distressing Stomach Disease.

Permanently cured by the masterly power of South American Nerve Tonic. Invalids need no longer be troubled by this great remedy can cure them all. It is a cure for the whole world of stomach weakness and indigestion. The cure begins with the first dose. The relief it brings is marvellous and surprising. It makes no failure; never disappoints. No matter how long you have suffered, your cure is certain under the use of this great health-giving force. Pleasant and always safe. Sold by J. E. Mills, druggists Middletown, N. Y.

Whooping cough is the most distressing malady; but its duration can be cut short by the use of One Minute Cough cure, which is also the best known remedy for croup and all lung and bronchial troubles. W. D. Olney.

Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup.
Always effects a cure of whooping cough, croup, and all lung and bronchial troubles. W. D. Olney.

S. M. BOYD,
ATTORNEY AT LAW AND NOTARY PUBLIC,
16 EAST MAIN STREET.
ATTENDS TO ALL KINDS OF LAW BUSINESS, INCLUDING
FIRE INSURANCE.
FOR RENT FROM APRIL 1st, 1898.
The whole or part of a house of 9 rooms and bath room, in excellent condition, being premises now occupied by Mrs. Startup, 35 Academy Ave. There is a barn, good garden and a variety of fruit trees on the place. Rent reasonable.
Property for sale on easy terms. Enquire of
A. V. N. POWELSON,
60101st St., No. 16 East Main street.

AGENTS wanted for our standard subscription books. "Nash, but publications which have received the highest endorsement—most and at 4 permanent **MAKE** value. For all. NOW is the time to secure an agency hood territory open. Write for particulars.
E. B. TRAT & CO., MONEY
New York.

90 Cts. a Bushel
Early Rose Potatoes.
FOR
SLOAT'S CASH STORE
FOR SALE!
Choice City Lots on the Bull & Youngblood Tract.

Albert street, Harrison street, Lincoln street, Beattie and Grand avenues. Every street properly graded and accepted by the city, sewers, city water, gas, etc. That these expensive permanent improvements have been appreciated evidenced by the many lots sold and the handsome houses erected. Not a vacant house on the tract. Sales quickly made if any are desired. Are in central location and convenient to the child industries, railroads, business section, churches, electric cars and the fact that the prices are right, are all appreciated. If you are in want of a lot, examine these before you buy. Terms easy and prices low. Call or address

Bull & Youngblood,
City Grocers, 56 North street, opposite post office.

WHY WE ARE ALWAYS BUSY.

Not because of flowery and exaggerated statements, but because of real value, truthfully announced. As every one knows this is the dull season for dry goods selling. Our modern ways are not satisfied with waiting for trade, but create it. For the next few weeks our object is not to make money but sales. We have received many special values, in desirable goods, that we have marked extra low to stimulate early buying. Our counters and shelves are loaded for this great special sale with hundreds of articles that we haven't space to mention. The few items below will answer for the whole storeful. Be sure and get your share.

Black Dress Goods.

40-inch all wool Black Serge, sold by all for 39c; for this sale 29c. 38-inch Black Brilliante, the regular price 40c; for this sale 33c. 38-inch all wool Figured Black Goods, regular price 50c; for this sale 40c. 42-inch Black Brilliante, worth wholesale to day 52c; a yard; for this sale only 50c. 46-inch all wool Cravenette Serge, sold by all for 69c; for this sale 59c. 46-inch silk finish Brilliante, sold all over the world for \$1; for this sale 75c. 50-inch all wool silk finish Black Serge, real value \$1.25; for this sale 89 cents.

Colored Dress Goods.

800 yards New Spring Dress Goods. Among the lots are 38-inch all wool mixtures in new spring shades, 38-inch Wool and Mohair Mixtures, 38-inch cotton, wool and silk mixtures, the wool all thrown on the outside. Not one yard in this lot worth less than 39c. For this great sale all to go at 25 cents.

A Silk Bargain.

600 yards Black Figured Silk, 20 and 24 inches wide, made to sell at \$1. The manufacturer's loss is your gain. For this sale only 69c. Figured China Silk—Goods we carried from last season—Mostly navy blue grounds. Our price was 25 and 50c a yard. Fine for summer shirt waists. As long as they last 15 and 39c a yard. Not much more than cotton goods.

Dress Linings

Best Kid Cambric 3c a yard. 15c fast black Perkaline 10c a yard. Best French Road Hair Cloth, all shades, 25c a yard. Silesia, all shades and just black, 10c a yard.

Wash Goods

Sea Island Percale, the best goods made. Sold everywhere for 12c; here at 10c. Zephyr Ginghams, all new goods, advertised in other stores worth 12c. Here at 8c. Fine French Cambrics, 36 inches wide, yarn dyed, mostly navy blue and black, figured or stripes, 12c a yard. We sell only such goods that we can warrant, no trash.

2,442 Yards Embroidery.

Four lots of new Embroideries in 4 or 5 yard lengths—all fine goods—fully one-third to one-half less than the regular prices—at 10, 12, 15, 19c a yard.

\$1 Silk Velvet 39 Cents.

We have six new shades in this lot—Cream, grey, mode, brown, cerise, turquoise. Fine for hat or dress trimmings. For this sale only 39c a yard.

Domestics.

Best Indigo Blue Prints 4c a yard. 8c all linen Brown Crash. For this sale only 6c a yard. 5-4 Bleached Pillow Cases 7c. 5-4 Best Bleached Pillow Cases 12c. 6-4 Best Pillow Cases 14c. Best Bleached Sheets made 40, 44, 48c. White Bed Spreads 49, 75, 98c., all hemmed ready for use. Good Bleached Muslin 4c a yard. Best Bleached Muslin made 6c.

Muslin Underwear.

All our reserve stock goes into this sale from our special lots. No new sewing when you can buy made-up garments at these prices. Ladies' Muslin Drawers 15, 25, 39, 49c. Ladies' Gowns 39, 49, 59, 69, 79, 89, 98c., \$1.19. Ladies' Corset Covers 15, 19, 25c. Ladies' White Skirts 39, 49, 75, 89, 98c., \$1.29, \$1.48.

What is new we have, and sell the new, not only at lower prices than others ask, but at lower prices than others sell the old.

HART DAVIS,
No. 46 North Street.

ONE CENT A WORD
for each insertion. No advertisement taken for less than 10 cents.

CARRIAGE SHOP to let. Will be let in parts. DR. FANCHE.
CARRIAGE SHOP to let. Best stand in Mid-At. DR. FANCHE.

NO. 4903 DRAWS THIS WEEK.
AT GREENING'S.

WANTED—Reliable man or woman to assist in kitchen. Apply at once. RUSSELL HOUSE.

NINE-ROOM House to rent, with modern improvements, in first-class location 16 B and street; also four rooms to rent, second floor, city water, 11 Broad street.

FRANK CRAWFORD, 15 West Main street or 49 South street.

LOST—Sunday afternoon, gold breast pin, with pearls in centre. Finder please send it to this office.

DISTRICT Deputy Grand Commander Mat-thew Dunt, of the American Legion of Honor, will address the members of Empire, Golden and Harmonia Councils, at Knights of Honor hall, Tuesday evening, March 22d, at 8 o'clock. All companions are hereby ordered to be present. 1612 COMM. FREE.

HOUSE of six rooms and basement to let from April 1st. Large barn and stable for six horses with stalls and large yard, on Fulton street, opposite tannery; also house and stable on Genung street. d14,15,20,21 23,26 P. DOUGHERTY.

BEN HUR Bicycle, good running order, pneumatic tires, will be sold cheap; fine black marbled eight day clock, strikes hours and half hours. Price only \$4.

EXCHANGE and MATT CO., No. 46 East Main street.

PRETTY Cottage on Main street—Just painted outside, papered and painted throughout inside, city water, flagged, trolley passing door, etc. Rent to suit the times. See THOMAS WATTS, 15 East Main street.

FOR SALE—Two fine blooded colts, three and four years old, broke to harness, sound and kind. Call on or address 99d141st J. E. HALSEY, Westtown, N. Y.

TO LET—House, 13 rooms, 133 North at east; also vacant lot for business purposes. Enquire of BULL & YOUNGBLOOD. 97d6t

TO LET House on River avenue, 10 rooms and barn, suitable for two families, city water. Enquire of 81d1t T. A. MARCH, 74 East at ave.

THE Klondike isn't in it with the bargains in second-hand goods at LOEVEN'S Storage House, 21 Monmouth avenue. 78d1y0c2,3,6

FOR Rent from April 1st—The store, No. 44 Jam's street, Isaman Building; also the flat directly over the store, consisting of six rooms, bath and closet. J. E. ISEMAN. 95d7t

UNTIL the end of March, '98, I shall do shoe repairing at the following prices: Men's soles from 40c up, ladies' 25c up, children's 20c up. I make a specialty of rubber soles. CRAIG, the Shoemaker, 39 W. Main street.

FOR RENT—The two front offices and one in the rear of the second floor in the Wood Building, adjoining the post office. If seldom you can get as central, well lighted and arranged offices as these. H. R. WILCOX. 94d1t

FOR RENT—Parishall cottage, six rooms, Richmond Heights, Mountain avenue; also Carter cottage, Gunpowder street. Rent very low. EDWARD L. MERILL, Attorney at Law, Rooms 8 and 9 Times Building, King street.

SPRING OVERCOATS!
Just take a look at these goods, and tell us when or where you ever saw such garments at such very low prices,
\$5.00, Worth \$8.50.

The time to purchase a coat is now, while you have a full line to select from and while you can get a season's wear.
Price the Lowest and Garments the Best.

SUITS MADE TO ORDER FROM \$10 UP.
PANTS \$2.50 UP.

S. LIPFELD,
Clothier and Furnisher, 25 North St.

WM. VANSCHAICK, AUCTIONEER

SALE
The subscriber will sell at auction, corner East Main St. and Horton Ave.,
Tuesday, March 22, at 10 a. m.

sharp, 1 horse, weight 1,300 pounds; 2 farm wagons, 2 hay choppers, 1 platform spring wagon, top buggy nearly new; 1 single harness, nearly new; lot other harness, Whiteley mowing machine, horse rake, horse hay fork, stalk chaffer, power or hand; hay cutter, barrel, corn sheller, steel road scraper, milk cans, cross cut saw, plows, harrows, cultivators, sleighs, 8 tons hay and lot farm and garden implements, lot of

Household Furniture,

new oak mantle, with bevel mirrors, 17x23, etc. Terms made known on day of sale.

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